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Americans hugged in Russia after joint space triumph

In a genuine outburst of emotion, Russians gave American tourists joyful bear-hugs on the streets of Moscow last night after the brilliantly successful docking of the Soyuz and Apollo spacecraft. This popular expression of international détente was echoed by Mr Brezhnev and President Ford, both of whom looked forward to further cooperation in messages broadcast to the spacemen. The two craft are to remain linked together for 44 hours while the cosmonauts and astronauts conduct joint experiments.



All together in Soyuz last night (left to right): Mr Kubasov, Colonel Leonov, Brigadier-General Stafford and Mr Slayton.

Leaders see future of international cooperation

From Pearce Wright in Houston and Edmund Steveus in Moscow, July 17

Brigadier-General Thomas Stafford and his fellow-astronaut, Mr Donald K. Slayton, tonight shook hands jubilantly with the Soviet cosmonauts in their Soyuz spacecraft 140 miles above the Earth.

The meeting set the seal on the brilliantly carried-out rendezvous in space of the Soyuz, which left Baikonur 1,800 miles east of Moscow, early on Tuesday morning and the American Apollo, launched in Florida 7½ hours later.

The docking of the two craft was made at 4.09 pm GMT over the Atlantic off Portugal with such remarkable precision and smoothness that the operation was completed six minutes before schedule.

"Captured!" exclaimed Colonel Alexei Leonov, the Soyuz commander, and the two ships were linked together.

In Moscow there was such an outburst of genuine emotion that American tourists were given bear-hugs on the street in scenes reminiscent of the wartime meeting on the Elbe between Soviet and American soldiers. Champagne corks were popping all over the capital, toasts to friendship with the United States were the order of the night and the ancient city of Samarkand conferred its freedom on all five spacemen.

But immediately after the docking it seemed as if things were going dangerously wrong. General Stafford reported to Houston that he could smell burning—"something like cordite (explosive)".

The three American astronauts—General Stafford, Mr Slayton and Mr Vance Brand—were ordered to keep their masks on while controllers studied the problem.

But the smell was soon traced to the docking module and found to be harmless. It had been caused by an electric furnace used earlier for an experiment in crystal formation.

Eventually General Stafford and Mr Slayton left Mr Brand in Apollo and clambered into the air-lock linking the two craft. There they gradually accustomed themselves to the change of atmosphere from the oxygen in Apollo to the air in Soyuz.

Then at 7.17 pm GMT the interconnecting door was unlocked and the two astronauts floated into Soyuz to an enthusiastic greeting from Colonel Leonov and Mr Valeri Kubasov, his flight engineer. In honour of the historic occasion the cosmonauts had prepared a feast of re-hydrated bortsch for their American colleagues. Unlike the rejoicings in Moscow restaurants, however, there was no alcohol—not even a glass of beer.

The unprecedented meeting in space had been achieved by a brilliant piece of guidance and navigation by the crew of Apollo that had the job of catching the Russian capsule. It was a manoeuvre in which the American astronauts brought their craft up from below, first to overtake the Russians from beneath, then to go over the top to come to link up from behind.

In the process the two crews demonstrated the ability of the specially devised universal docking system to make rescues possible from a disabled craft in space.

Both Mr Brezhnev and President Ford broadcast to Soyuz after the Americans had floated in. In a message read on his behalf Mr Brezhnev told the spacemen: "Your successful docking confirms the correctness of technical solutions that were worked out and realized in cooperation by Soviet and American scientists, designers and cosmonauts. One can say that Soyuz-Apollo is a prototype of future international orbital stations."

Speaking personally, President Ford said the space rendezvous was "a tremendous demonstration of cooperation" and he hoped it would set an example for "what we have to do in the future to make it a better world".

During the 44 hours in which the Soyuz and the Apollo remain linked together, the two teams are to carry out joint experiments. Mr Brand, who remained in Apollo tonight, is to crawl through to Soyuz about 10 am GMT tomorrow while Colonel Leonov visits Apollo. Mr Kubasov is transferring to Apollo in the afternoon.

The Soyuz returns to Earth in central Asia next Monday while the Apollo delays its splash-down in the Pacific until Thursday. **Dispute revived, page 4**

Lisbon denial of plan for total control by military

Lisbon, July 17.—Portugal's coalition Government finally collapsed today, leaving the country's military rulers the difficult task of forming a new Cabinet. "The coalition is finished", a spokesman said.

The military's Supreme Revolutionary Council appealed for calm as political parties prepared to hold rallies in various parts of the country.

The council dissolved the Government after the centre-left Popular Democrats resigned from the coalition, as the Socialists did last week. Troops joined leftist demonstrators demanding an end to the Constituent Assembly.

General Gonçalves, the Prime Minister, is now trying to form a new Cabinet, widely expected to be mostly military, with some technocrats.

The Government's collapse was brought about largely by an armed forces plan to set up a workers' and soldiers' state, 14 months after an Army coup ended nearly half a century of right-wing dictatorship.

The dissolution of the coalition Government left the Communists and their allies out of power for the first time since the coup. They had shared portfolios with the Socialists, Popular Democrats and the military.

The Popular Democrats called a rally tonight in Oporto and the Socialists were holding rallies in Braga and Portalegre. The Communists plan a youth rally in Lisbon tomorrow.—Reuter.

Jose Shercliff writes from Lisbon: After the meeting of the Revolutionary Council today, Captain Vasco Lourenco, its official spokesman, denied rumours that General Gonçalves was thinking of forming a totally military government.

It is known that the general has called for consultation with Dr Inis Salgado Matos, a well-known economist, who was Minister of Economics in the transitional government in Mozambique before it became independent; Dr Piteiro Santos, a revolutionary from the time of the Salazar regime, who is known for his non-aligned Marxist sympathies; and Senhor Cesar de Oliveira, a historian and writer who is a dissident left-wing socialist.

General Gonçalves saw Dr Alvaro Cunhal, secretary-general of the Communist Party, yesterday.

There is a strong possibility of General Gonçalves himself being replaced, according to the weekly *Tempo* today. It emphasized his evident fatigue.

Our Brussels Correspondent writes: European heads of government today issued a clear warning to Portugal.

Their statement said: "The European Community is willing to discuss closer economic and financial cooperation with Portugal. It also points out that the European Community, in accordance with its European policy and history to date, can only support a pluralist democracy".

The European Community was "not in the business of supporting dictatorships", Mr James Callaghan, the Foreign Secretary, told a press conference.

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Conservatives press Government to publish details of reserve powers for curbing rises

By Michael Hatfield
Political Staff

The Government came under strong pressure in the Commons yesterday to publish details of its draft Bill containing reserve powers to support its counter-inflation strategy before the debate on the White Paper next week.

Mr Short, Leader of the House, caused surprise when he indicated that the draft Bill would not be published. MPs, and certainly those journalists who were present at the Prime Minister's press conference last Friday, were under the impression that the reserve powers would be made known before the debate.

Circumstantial evidence now suggests that Mr Wilson and Mr Healey, Chancellor of the Exchequer, who was also at the press conference, stole a march on some of their Cabinet colleagues by indicating that the Bill would be published.

The Cabinet had taken no collective decision on the issue, although Mr Foot, Secretary of State for Employment, is understood to have told his Cabinet colleagues last week that there was no point in publishing a hypothetical Bill. It now appears that Mr Foot has won the support of other Cabinet ministers.

Mr Foot's arguments are not difficult to surmise. The publication of reserve back-up powers with sanctions against employers who pay over the £6 a week limit might make life difficult for the principal trade union leaders defending the Government's policy when it is debated at the Trades Union Congress in September.

Any indication of the sanctions, which could be construed as ultimately restricting the right of free collective bargaining, would give trade union leaders such as Mr Jack Jones, general secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, trouble in what is likely to be an acrimonious debate at the congress.

The Conservatives were not satisfied with the answers given by Mr Short yesterday and requested that the views should be made known to the Prime Minister on his return from the heads of state meeting in Brussels. Mr Short replied: It is not that I do not want the House to have sight of it. This is a government Bill which has not yet been introduced. We have been honest with the House and the country and told them that this Bill has been prepared. I will convey to the Prime Minister what Mrs Thatcher has said. I will pass on her request.

Last night Mrs Thatcher sent a letter to the Prime Minister demanding that the draft Bill should be published.

The Shadow Cabinet believes that as the reserve powers are central to the Government's counter-inflation strategy, it should indicate what the powers are.

While the dispute on the issue was developing the Government last night tabled its motion for the debate on Monday and Tuesday, calling on the House to approve the White Paper. The Conservative Opposition, which is by no means united on its attitude to the proposal, tabled a reasoned amendment.

The amendment supported the Government's "belated commitment to reduce the disastrous rate of inflation" but regretted its "prolonged failure to reduce public spending and to promote the prosperity of the private sector, and deplores their decision to increase indiscriminate subsidies and to proceed with further measures of nationalization".

Mrs Thatcher and her Cabinet colleagues intend to divide the House on their reasoned amendment but not to call for a division on the Government's motion.

While the Conservative party managers cannot be sure whether some of their backbenchers will vote in the division lobbies with the Government, there were suggestions that some of them may.

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Judges, civil servants to forgo increases

By Maurice Corina and Marcel Berlins

A number of high level civil servants are not to get substantial salary increases in deference to the Government's new pay controls. Sir Douglas Allen, head of the Home Civil Service, Sir Douglas Wass, Permanent Secretary to the Treasury, and Sir John Hunt, Secretary to the Cabinet, will not receive a planned £2,825 rise on their £20,175-a-year remuneration.

Permanent secretaries of Whitehall departments will also forgo their proposed increases of £2,325 on the current £18,675-a-year pay scale. Other rises for top civil servants, ranging from £1,000 to £1,825 are also being stopped.

The senior civil servants' increases were due under a top salaries award made by the Prime Minister last December, representing the second stage. In January the top three "mandarins" received increases to £20,175 from £17,350 and permanent secretaries went up from £16,350 to £18,675.

It was not clear yesterday whether the pay of senior officers in the Armed Forces will be similarly curbed. Pay increases of £3,325 to admirals of the fleet, field marshals and marshals of the Royal Air Force, now receiving £19,675, are due at the end of this year. Admirals, generals and air chief marshals are due to have a £3,075 advance from their present £17,925.

The decision to freeze the pay of top civil servants has been taken by the Government under its proposal that no one earning more than £8,500 will receive the rises of up to £6 a week in the next pay round.

Senior judges are being asked to forgo half the pay increases they were awarded last year. All law lords, Court of Appeal judges and High Court judges so far approached have agreed.

The judges' increases were recommended by the Top Salaries Review Body under Lord Boyle of Handsworth last December. But the Prime Minister announced that because of the economic situation the increases would be paid in two stages, and not one as recommended.

The first half of the increase is due on July 26 with the other half being paid from July, 1976. After introduction of the Government's new pay plan, judges are being asked to forgo the second stage of their increase. Most judges have signified acceptance. Some who are working outside London have not yet been approached.

A High Court judge, now on £16,350 a year, will go up to £18,675 later this month. But he will not under the new policy get the second state of his increase, which would have brought him to £21,000 in July next year.

A law lord's salary will rise from £17,850 to £21,175, but not to the recommended figure of £24,500. Judges are paid by the Treasury from the Consolidated Fund.

Government defeated on VAT rate

By Our Parliamentary Correspondent
Westminster

The Government was defeated in the Commons last night by two votes at the report stage of the Finance Bill on an Opposition amendment restoring the 8 per cent value-added tax rate for television rentals paid under contracts beginning before April 16.

The contracts became subject to the 25 per cent rate in the Budget. The amendment is due to take effect on August 1.

Mr Sheldon, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, warned the House that the change would cost about £90m a year. Assuming that there is a one-fifth reduction in rental contracts over the next four to five years, the Treasury estimated that the total loss of revenue over that period will be £200m to £250m.

The humiliating defeat for the Government, by 108 votes to 106, came when some Labour backbenchers sided with the Conservatives.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, the shadow Chancellor, said last night that the Conservatives had consistently argued that Mr Healey should have raised the revenue needed to meet the large Government deficit by restoring the original 10 per cent VAT rate.

The change applies only to rental contracts beginning before April 16. Later ones will continue to be charged at 25 per cent. No refunds will be due for the period to August 1.

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12 ministers back Mr Prentice

By Our Political Staff

The names of 12 Cabinet ministers who support the letter sent to the Newham, North-East, constituency Labour Party defending the position of Mr Prentice, Minister for Overseas Development, were forwarded to the constituency yesterday. The 12 are:

Mr Short, Lord President of the Council and Leader of the House of Commons, Mr Callaghan, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, Mr Jenkins, Home Secretary, Mr Crosland, Secretary of State for the Environment, Mr Lever, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, Mr Peart, Minister of Agriculture, Mr Mason, Secretary of State for Defence, Mr Rees, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, Mr Morris, Secretary of State for Wales, Mr Mellish, Government Chief Whip, and Mr Varley, Secretary of State for Industry.

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Four soldiers killed in Ulster blast

From Christopher Walker
Belfast

After a five-month period of relative peace Northern Ireland is now poised dangerously close to the brink of a return to the type of full-scale guerrilla and sectarian warfare which has cost more than a thousand lives since 1969.

The death of four British soldiers in an explosion yesterday at Forkhill, in Armagh, has raised the most serious doubts yet about the future of the ceasefire and has increased tension in the province to a pitch not seen for many months. One immediate effect is certain to be a slowing in the rate at which the remaining 246 republican detainees will be released from the Maze prison at Long Kesh.

In an angry statement from Stormont Castle last night Mr Rees, the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, said that men who committed such acts were threatening to plunge the province into a new anarchy.

A statement issued last night through the Belfast republican press centre, which always handles the main policy statements from the Provisional IRA, said that "the 2nd Crossmaglen battalion of the IRA" claimed responsibility. The action was in retaliation for army harassment and the deaths of two Catholics shot dead by troops.

The four were the first soldiers to be killed in Ulster since the ceasefire began on February 10 and their murder brings the total of army deaths in the province this year to six. Another soldier was badly injured in the explosion and last night his condition was serious. Altogether 238 British soldiers have now lost their lives in Northern Ireland since 1969.

The attack comes at a time when relations between the Army and the Provisionals are strained in a number of key districts, including west Belfast and Londonderry. It is understood to have been preceded by

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Bow Street court will sit late today for the expected arrival of Mr Stonehouse

Clive Borrell

Sir Frank Milton, the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, has agreed to keep his court at Bow Street, London, open late today for the arrival from Australia of Mr John Stonehouse, the runaway MP for Walsall, North, and Mrs Sheila Buckley, his secretary, who face fraud, theft and conspiracy charges. They were both put on board a flight from Melbourne yesterday.

Cell accommodation is being reserved at Bow Street police station in case they arrive after the court has adjourned. Cells at Brixton and Holloway prisons have been set aside should they be remanded in custody.

I understand that applications may be made to the court for bail if they arrive in time. Both have been in prison in Australia for the past 15 days awaiting extradition.

There was a five-hour delay at Melbourne because the aircraft had developed a technical fault. That gave the police and airport officials extra time for a conference at Heathrow yesterday.

It has been decided that all passengers shall disembark, leaving Mr Stonehouse and his secretary still on board in the custody of two Scotland Yard detectives and two woman police officers. The two will be taken in separate cars to Bow Street police station, where they will be formally charged by Det Chief Supt Kenneth Etheridge, who has been in Australia since the end of April and is returning with them.

Between 30 minutes and an hour has been allowed for the long procedure of reading the charges before they are led into No 1 Court.

A reliable source told me last night that a further delay is also possible because Mr Stonehouse had indicated that he wants to make a statement to the House of Commons, if it is still sitting, immediately after he has been charged.

Hongkong (Friday morning).—Mr Stonehouse slept through much of the first stage of his flight, fellow passengers said. A large number of journalists are travelling with him.—Reuter.

Demand to end corruption by oil companies

In its continuing hearing on multinational corporations, an American Senate subcommittee yesterday gained an admission from the Mobil Oil Corporation that it had made more than $2m (about £900,000) worth of political contributions in Italy in the four years to the end of 1973. It emerged that the payments were made by devious means, causing the subcommittee's chairman to exclaim that "this epidemic of corruption" had to be ended **Page 4**

Russia buys more grain

The United States Department of Agriculture confirmed yesterday another big wheat deal with Russia, bringing to 3,200,000 tons the wheat bought by Moscow this year. The Canadian Wheat Board also announced the sale of two million tons of wheat to Russia **Page 4**

Bomb attack on prince

Petrol bombs were hurled at Crown Prince Akihito of Japan and his wife, Princess Michiko, yesterday as they paid homage at a war memorial in Okinawa. Neither of the couple, attending the opening of the International Ocean Exposition, was hurt **Page 5**

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Indian police have continued to detain liberals, socialists and Marxists after the announcement by Mrs Gandhi, the Prime Minister, that Parliament was to be convened next week to decide on the state of emergency. With most of her opponents in Parliament already under arrest, officials have made it clear that those detained will not be released to take part in the debate **Page 4**

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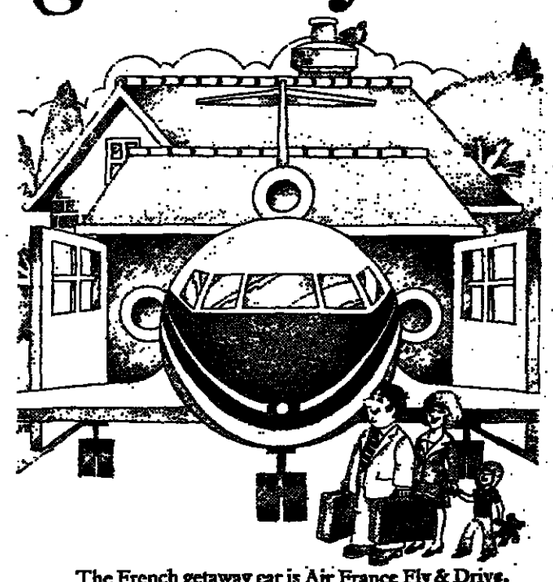
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'If views of ruthless hard-liners prevail it would mean the end of the Labour Party'

Mr Prentice promises fight to remain as Newham's MP

By Roger Berthoud

Mr Prentice, Minister for Overseas Development, will fight to reverse any decision by his constituency Labour Party's general management committee at Newham, North-east, to drop him at the next general election. It meets to decide his fate next Wednesday and Mr Prentice is giving himself only an even chance on the outcome.

"If the vote goes against me I will make two things clear", he said in an interview in the office of his ministry, to which he was moved after the EEC referendum from the Department of Education and Science. First, I will be appealing to the National Executive Committee of the Labour Party, which can overturn such decisions. Second, I am continuing as the sitting Labour member for Newham, North-east. After all, this Parliament is only nine months old, I was elected with a good majority last year, and I represent the people who elected me.

This general management committee cannot evict me from Parliament. All they can do, if they pass the resolution [not to readopt him as a candidate] and get the endorsement of the NEC and the annual conference, would be to select a different candidate in due course. But I think a lot of water would flow under a lot of bridges before they got to that stage.

If the vote goes against me, and this I do not accept is necessarily going to happen, there would still be a chance either for the local Labour Party to change its mind or for the NEC to overrule it. I would hope that both things might happen, indeed.

He would not look for a new seat, he said, but would carry on and aim to stand again for Newham, North-east, at the next election:

There would be a running fight as far as I am concerned. They tried to get rid of me 18 months ago, but they had not got a majority. I hope that Wednesday is going to prove that they have not got a majority now. But supposing they have, they might not keep it much longer. If moderate people reassert themselves, they certainly have not.

Mr Prentice does not resent the fact that many people in Newham disagree with him, regard him as too right-wing, and dislike his criticisms of certain kinds of trade union activity. A left-wing element is a healthy and necessary part of the spectrum of opinion within the Labour Party, he believes:

The more serious element in my situation is that there have entered into the [local] party in the past couple of years or so a number of people who are completely ruthless and hard-line in their approach to politics, and who say: "If we have an MP who takes a different view from us we must try to push him out". Now this really is an intolerable thing from the point of view of democratic standards.

If that view were to prevail it would certainly mean the end of the Labour Party as we know it. It would no longer be a social democratic party; it would no longer be able to represent millions of people. It would become a narrow, doctrinaire sub group.

He knew of a few other cases of MPs who seemed to face a similar imminent threat, and a very much larger number of constituencies where a minority of general management committee delegates were of the same kind. "What is so dangerous is the new element of intolerance, which is fundamentally undemocratic", he said.

As he had represented the area for 18 years, he conceded that he and his moderate friends should have seen the danger and headed it off. But there had been too much apathy. The Labour Party was in that respect no different from most other voluntary organizations in Britain; only a few people would do the really active work. A dedicated minority could therefore take over a ward party fairly easily.

"One lesson to be learnt is that moderate people in any local party, and in parties throughout the country, have got to get back into the action and play a more active role", he said. A vote against him should not lead people to resign, as some of his friends had threatened, but would lead them to redouble their efforts and bring friends into local wards to strengthen the moderates:

The fact that if moderates are too apathetic nothing can save democratic politics in Britain or anywhere in the world. Democracy depends on people of all points of view being active in politics.

True, he agreed, moderates were inherently less committed than extremists:

That is why democracy is a pretty rare plant. In historical perspective neither this country nor any other has been a democracy for very long. There is no absolute reason why democracy should survive. I hope that it will, and that those who cherish their freedoms will work to make it prevail.

The hard-line, intolerant element in Britain, he feared, would be encouraged by a vote against him on Wednesday. But there were two main factors in his favour. First, the support of the people of Newham, with evidence that a move to oust him would be deeply resented by a majority of Labour supporters; and the support of fellow Cabinet ministers, MPs and other constituency parties. Second, the fears of left-wingers fundamentally loyal to the party that to pass the resolution would endanger its unity at a difficult period.

He thought there was always the possibility of a split in the Labour Party.

But I do not want to see it happen, because I think the country is best served at the moment by a strong Labour Party which is a party of government, in which the moderate elements will usually prevail. I think that if you look at our postwar history we have achieved that most of the time, particularly when Labour was in government.

Both parties had had periods of irresponsibility when in opposition. Although he was to the right of the party on most issues, but not all, he had never dissociated himself from any part of the Labour manifesto, had never voted against the party whip while in the House of Commons, and had been energetically carrying out part of the manifesto at the Department of Education, to the annoyance of many moderates. But Mr Prentice remains convinced that comprehensive secondary education has been shown to be better than selection.

"If anyone is out of step with party policy it is my critics at Newham", he said. He hoped that left-wingers loyal to the party would have an agonizing new appraisal in the remaining days, and vote against the resolution.

He had no comment on the *Daily Mail's* allegations about one of his main critics, Mr Tony Kelly, who holds four minor posts in the Newham, North-east Labour Party.

"Journalistic filth": Mr Kelly, in a statement to the Press Association, yesterday complained of "journalistic filth" being used to try to influence the decision on Mr Prentice.

His statement said in part:

It is now national knowledge that I have experienced a broken marriage, been put on probation for embezzling £200 about 12 years ago, and been fined for stealing a road lamp during an electricity cut. . . .

Contrary to reports, I have never been convicted of supplying cannabis.

It may be argued by some people that anyone who has experienced a broken marriage or fallen foul of the law for whatever reason should not be allowed to hold or develop political awareness or convictions, that they should not join political parties or, if they do, then they should refrain from taking part in the work of that party.

I am not of that opinion. The dispute in Newham, North-east, is political and will be decided in a democratic manner by the party.



Mr Prentice: His fate to be decided on Wednesday.

Leader says Tories are the true democrats

By Our Political Editor

Mrs Thatcher, Leader of the Opposition, said last night that the Conservative Party was "more and more becoming associated with the commonsense majority". The left was being run by the extreme left, but "we are not being run by the extreme right: we are the really true democratic party now".

Interviewed on *Analysis*, the BBC radio programme, Mrs Thatcher was questioned on the Government's counter-inflation policies. She replied that the Labour Party had hindered the Conservative government, but "I won't hinder the present government".

She said she would like to see proposals for cuts in government spending. She did not believe that there would be sound money under Labour, nor that the Government would tackle some of the fundamental causes of inflation.

If the pound collapsed, would she prefer a general election to some form of coalition? Mrs Thatcher answered: "The decision is for the sitting government until we have got enough votes to bring them down."

Was she prepared to contemplate some form of proportional representation? "Not yet", she said. There would have to be a Speaker's conference for such a big constitutional change. She went on to warn:

There are many, many countries which would not have clear, firm government if they had a government made up of more than one party. A subsidiary party can leave the government and go over to the opposition. . . .

I have no evidence that the method they think will work would work in fact. You could have a different electoral system, and it would result not in putting in the broad centre; it would result in putting in a very active left wing for a very long time, with centre support.

Asked how she would handle excessive wage demands, she replied that in the nationalized sector the Government already had the necessary powers without any more statutory laws: the refusal to increase subsidies.

It is my belief that there really is a rather different feeling in the nation now from what there was 12 to 15 months ago. Many people are worried about not only the future prospects of the country as a whole but their own future prospects. They are therefore prepared to act in a very moderate and sensible way, and I think that gives the Government a tremendous chance to get maximum cooperation.

One dead, 50 hurt in two coach crashes

By a Staff Reporter

A woman was killed and 50 people were injured yesterday in two separate accidents involving old-age pensioners on day trips by coach.

The death occurred when a Belgian beer tanker and two coaches collided on the M2 at Faversham, Kent. The tanker had been in collision with a car which was also carrying Belgian number plates. The coaches were part of a convoy of seven on their way to Margate on an outing arranged by the London borough of Tower Hamlets.

The second accident happened at Pensford Hill, on the A37, near Bristol, when a coach carrying 45 pensioners from Newport, Gwent, was in collision with an articulated lorry.

In the Kent crash the police said the dead woman was a passenger on one of the coaches. Six other people were seriously injured and 3 slightly hurt. Twelve ambulances took the casualties t Kent and Canterbury Hospit at Canterbury.

The uninjured passenge were picked up by two oth coaches and continued the outing. Most of the injured a believed to belong to a tenan association in Bow, east Lo don.

The carriageway was r opened after four hours.

The pensioners in the Brist accident were on a day outi to Weymouth. Twelve of the were taken to Bristol Royal I firmary for treatment and t police said that 11 we quickly discharged.

The driver had been trapp in his cab and had to l released by firemen.

Toll of 50: Yesterday's dea brought to 50 the number wh have died in coach crashes Britain in just over six week (the Press Associatio reports).

Glass forced into turf at Newmarket

A police inquiry was started at Newmarket yesterday after broken glass had been found pushed into the turf at three places.

A police officer said: "It is one of the most vicious acts of vandalism we have come across. The glass had been deliberately pushed into the turf and could have caused severe injuries to horses and riders if it had not been discovered."

Jockey Club officials on a routine inspection of Warren Hill Gallops at 6.30 am found fencing broken and scattered on the exercise heath. Workmen clearing it came across about a hundred pieces of jagged glass stuck firmly into the turf.

The Long Hill Gallop nearby, was checked and more implanted glass was found. Both gallops are used by hundreds of horses every morning.

Security checks on the July course, some miles away, where racing is due to take place today, were made and glass fragments were found down the middle of the course.

Mr John Winter, chairman of the Newmarket Trainers' Federation, said: "Some of the most valuable racehorses in the country could have had their tendons cut by the glass and their careers finished. It is the most irresponsible act of vandalism."

A police officer appealed urgently for anybody with knowledge of the incident to come forward.

Union ballo not valid, court rules

The executive of the Ami gamared Union of Engineeri Workers misread the rule bo when it ordered a second b lot after declaring the victor the first ballot elected, a His Court judge held yesterday.

Mr Justice Walton, banne the union from removing t winner of the first election 1972, Mr Edward Brown, Baddow Road, Chelmsfo from the post of divisio organizer for East Anglia, won by 166 votes against left-wing rival, Mr Ronald H verson, of De Havilland Clo Harfield, Hertfordshire.

After declaring Mr Bro elected the executive ordered second ballot in 1973 becau of complaints of late and un livered ballot papers. Mr H verson won with a bigg majority.

The judge said the appeared to be no rule und which a candidate declar elected could be deprived office, unless some really s rious factor emerged th showed that the election was nullity. Had the executi ordered a fresh ballot befo declaring the result of the fi it would have been fully jus fied.

Lawyers for Mr Halvers said an appeal would be co sidered. The injunctio remains effective until jud ment or further order in t main action Mr Brown h started, challenging the vali ity of rulings against him b the union's final appeal court.

Ulster truce at risk after deaths

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a secret meeting in the republic of the IRA's army council called to discuss the future of the ceasefire.

The chain of events that led to the tragedy began on July 10 when a suspect milk churn was seen under stones beside the road about half a mile from the border. It was left alone until a team of five bomb disposal experts and soldiers from The Green Howards were flown in yesterday.

As they were approaching the churn there was a huge explosion which so badly mutilated two of the bodies that 10 hours later the men were still officially listed only as "missing, presumed dead". Because of a fear of booby-traps the area remained sealed throughout the day, and the Army was unable to confirm exactly how the explosion was caused. One theory is that a booby-trap close to the churn was detonated by terrorists hiding in bushes near by.

The area has long been notorious for its ambushes and gun battles, and for the fierce independence of the hard-line Provisional IRA units who operate in its hilly terrain. An army officer said yesterday that even during the ceasefire there had been a number of cross-border gunbattles between the Army and the IRA.

As the investigation into the incident continued, the Army named two of the victims. They were Major Peter John Willis, aged 37, of The Green Howards, a married man with three children, and Warrant Officer Edward Garside, aged 34, a bomb-disposal expert, who was married with five children. W/O Garside was the fourteenth member of the Army's bomb disposal team to die in Northern Ireland during the present crisis.

Mr Rees described the explosion as the work of men barren of all political ideas. "They choose violence because they understand nothing but violence", he added. "They should not think that, whatever their cause, that cause will be advanced in this way".

Group calls for a full day's work

Violent picketing and strikes that hurt the public were criticized by a leading Roman Catholic group yesterday.

The social and economic affairs committee of the Scottish Catholic Lay-Apostolate Council in a statement in Glasgow called for sacrifices to balance Britain's trading account.

"If we can increase our production at home we will be able to increase our exports without a corresponding cut in home consumption", the statement said.

"This increase in production calls for harder work without a corresponding increase in pay. If everyone were to work conscientiously for the full period of the working day there might be a significant increase in production."

The statement said strikes and other industrial action should be used only as a last resort. Even when there were a just cause a strike was not necessarily justified. It might result in harm to innocent members of the public or to the national economy as well as the employer.

The statement said: "In no circumstances is it morally permissible for striking workers to seek deliberately to achieve their ends by inflicting the maximum damage or inconvenience on the public. We have seen the kind of action taken by miners to picket power stations with the aim of stopping oil supplies.

"Workers may have a right to withdraw their labour, but they do not have the right to increase the hardship suffered by the public. . . . There can be no excuse for violence."

The 'Spectator' sued

Mr Bernard Shrimsley, editor of the *News of the World*, issued a High Court writ yesterday against the *Spectator*, Mr Harold Creighton, editor, and Mr Bill Grundy, alleging libel in an article on July 12.

Jury hears ransom demand recording

From Our Correspondent
Gloucester

A brief tape recording of a man's telephoned demand for £50,000 ransom for Lesley Whittle was played twice to a jury at Gloucester Crown Court yesterday.

In it the man told the wife of an employee of the Whittle family coach company two days after the girl had been kidnapped that the money should be delivered to Gloucester within an hour and a half or the girl would die.

The prosecution says the caller was Brian Davis, aged 28, who has not been found. In court was Mrs Dorothy Davies-James, of Hurdley Road, Gloucester, who has denied two charges of conspiring with Mr Davis to obtain the ransom by deception.

Mr John Smyth, for the prosecution, has told the jury that the couple were in no way connected with the kidnapping and killing of Miss Whittle. He said they got the idea to demand the ransom after reading of the case and seeing the girl's brother Ronald on television.

A statement by Mr Ronald Whittle, of Redstone Drive, Highley, Bridgnorth, Salop, was read to the jury, in which he said he drove to Gloucester with the ransom money after receiving a call from the police.

He arrived in the area with a policeman at 2.15 am on January 16 and went into a subway by Gloucester Park.

"The officer drove off and I left the case in the entrance of the subway," he said. "I shouted out that I was not going to leave the money unless I saw my sister." Mr Whittle said that a man and woman passed by as he waited, but they did not approach him.

The trial was adjourned

Bomb-case accused tells court, 'I'm a dead man'

One of the six Irishmen charged with murder at the Birmingham bombing trial said yesterday he was "a dead man" after what he had told the court. John Walker, aged 40, a Londonderry-born Roman Catholic, said his life was "not worth a plumbed nickel".

Mr Walker, a former national service Royal Irish Fusilier, was giving evidence at Lancaster Crown Court about events after his arrest. He spoke of being assaulted by the police and burnt with a cigarette. Then he described a meeting in the exercise yard of Winson Green prison, Birmingham, with Michael Murray, one of three men who have pleaded not guilty to conspiring to cause explosions.

Mr Walker said Mr Murray told him: "Nothing went right that night. The first telephone box we got to was out of order." Mr Walker said he replied: "What are you on about? Are you going to tell me you did those bombs in the city?" He was shocked when Mr Murray said: "Yes."

He added that Mr Murray then talked of having an alibi and warned Mr Walker that if he opened his mouth or told anyone he would have him shot.

Next day Mr Murray said to him: "Do you remember that conversation we had yesterday? Not only will you get it, but your wife and family will go to bed one night and the house will go up."

Mr Michael Underhill, for the defence asked: "Did you at the time take that seriously?" Mr Walker replied: "Yes, and I still do."

Mr Walker, of Enderby Road, Perry Common, Birmingham, and the other five accused have pleaded not guilty to the murder of 21 people in the city last November.

Earlier yesterday, he was taken from the witness box and told to remove a sock so that the jury could see his foot. He had alleged that it had been repeatedly stamped on by a Sergeant Kelly, who had also made him pass out by holding a cigarette near a blister on the big toe.

Later in his evidence, Mr Walker said Sergeant Kelly threatened to take him down to the firing range "for target practise".

Asked why he had signed a statement admitting that he had planted bombs with one of the other defendants, Mr Walker replied: "I couldn't take any more punishment and Sergeant Kelly told me my house was getting wrecked. I felt awful, a bundle of nerves." He had also been without food all day.

Mr Walker alleged that as he walked to the edge of the van taking him to prison and put his feet out he found himself in mid-air. "I don't know whether I was pushed or kicked. I fell face forward and my face hit the ground." He lost five teeth then and had two extracted later.

The trial continues today.

Consumer chief wants bigger subsidies on essentials

By Hugh Clayton
Agricultural Correspondent

Subsidies on essential consumer goods should be greatly increased and extended beyond food to preserve the Government's counter-inflation policy, Mr Michael Young, chairman of the National Consumer Council, said yesterday. But Sir Henry Plumb, president of the National Farmers' Union, said that prices of several foods, especially dairy products, would have to rise later in the year.

Mr Young said after meeting Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, that inflation was likely to be 20 per cent in the final months of the year. But a maximum pay rise of £6 would equal only about 10 per cent on the wages of members of some powerful industrial trade unions.

He urged the Government to increase subsidies to reduce the rate of price increases for essentials, a third of the retail price index, to 10 per cent in the coming winter. That was the only way to avoid strenuous trade union opposition to the policy.

"The fact that there is going to be an increase in unemployment does suggest that there is going to be some slack in the economy", he said. If prices were held down demand would rise, reducing the "slack".

"It would make all the difference if the Government would do all it can to cut off the top of the price boom", Mr Young said. "It would then show that it really believes in its own target of 10 per cent for price increases by the middle of next year."

Sir Henry said after a NFU council meeting: "An immediate adjustment of the green pound [the artificial exchange rate used to convert EEC farm prices into sterling] is a vital first step towards stemming the current retrenchment in United Kingdom food production. Setting the green pound at its true exchange rate would increase the retail price index by only about 1 per cent.

"Against that prospect of an early small price increase for some foods must be set the greater effect on food prices that would result from the shortages which, make no mistake about it, will develop unless the confidence of the industry is restored."

He hoped that the green pound would be changed at EEC ministers' meeting ne week, and asked for a formu for periodic adjustments catch up with exchange rat The potato shortage show how farmers were sufferi from the weather, and the p mature slaughter of livesto revealed a lack of confide about winter keep.

From August 1 no bun would be made in Britain. am a very determined man a I hope the people conducti the negotiations in Brussels equally determined", he said

"Some people say that demands conflict with policy of restricting price creases. We believe that if do not adjust farm prices to pound's real value it will fo up food prices when producti falls."

British bridge team shows variable form

By Our Bridge Correspondent

The thirty-second European Bridge Championships are now in their fifth day at Brighton, with 23 countries competing in the open championship and 15 countries in the women's. The last time they were held in England was in 1961 at Torquay, when the British teams won both titles.

In the open event the British team have shown very varied form, having lost to Denmark 7—13, beaten Ireland 12—8, beaten Lebanon 13—7, lost to Poland 4—16, beaten Switzerland 20—0, lost to Israel 11—9, and beaten Hungary 18—2, leaving them in eighth place, 26 victory points behind the leaders, Italy.

Portugal, who took only 13 points from a possible 100 in their first five matches, have suddenly recovered their form and beaten Hungary 20—0 and Turkey 19—1. As always, the Italian team, even lacking Giorgio Belladonna, the top world-ranking player, are firm favourites. Leading positions after seven rounds were:

1, Italy, 169; 2, Israel, 100; 3, Poland, 96; 4, Denmark, 94; 5, France, 93; 6, Norway, 87; 7, Iceland, 86; 8, Britain, 83; 9, Netherlands, 76; 10, Greece, 75.

In the key matches in the eighth round Britain played well to beat Turkey 19—1 and move up three places to fifth position, with a total of 102 victory points. Italy took maximum points from Lebanon and increased their lead at the head of the table to 15 victory points. Israel lost 8—12 to Germany and dropped to fourth place at 108.

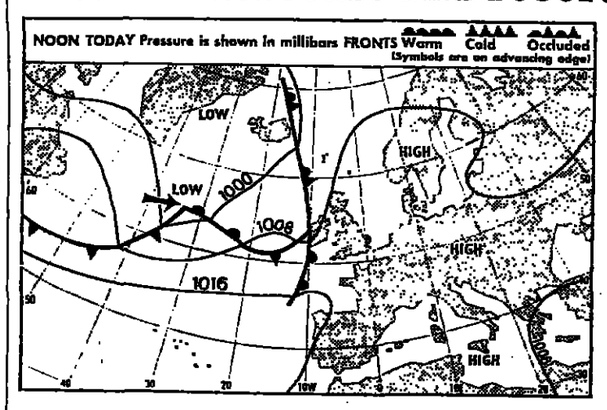
In the women's event, which started on Wednesday, Italy, the world champions, made a careless start to their defence of the title they have held for the past four years when one of their pairs arrived late for the start of their match against Greece, and the team was fined two victory points.

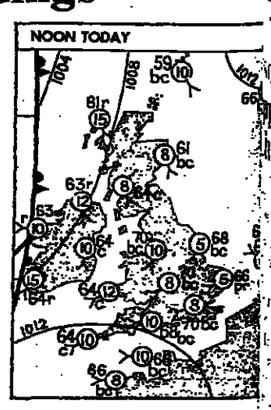
In spite of that setback they still lead the table after two rounds. Britain made a good start by beating Germany 17—3 and building up a big early lead against Norway. Many chances were then squandered, and their win was 12—8, leaving them 7 victory points behind the leaders.

Leading positions:

Italy, 36; Ireland, 32; Britain, 29; Spain, 28.

Weather forecast and recordings





Today

Sun rises: 5.4 am — Sun sets: 9.9 pm

Moon sets: 12.56 am — Moon rises 5.6 pm

Full moon: July 23.

Lighting up: 9.39 pm to 4.35 am.

High water: London Bridge, 10.5 am, 6.3m (20.8ft); 10.34 pm, 6.2m (20.5ft); Avonmouth, 3.4 am, 11.0m (36.2ft); 3.47 pm, 10.9m (35.9ft); Dover, 7.33 am, 5.6m (18.4ft); 8.3 pm, 5.8m (18.9ft); Hull, 2.14 am, 6.1m (20.0ft); 2.44 pm, 6.3m (20.7ft); Liverpool, 7.33 am, 7.9m (25.9ft); 8.14 pm, 8.0m (26.1ft).

A trough of low pressure will move into W areas of the British Isles from the Atlantic.

Area forecasts:

London, SE, E England, East Anglia: Sunny periods, scattered showers; wind W, light; max temp 22°C (72°F).

Central S, NW, central N, NE England, Midlands, Channel Islands: Dry, sunny periods; wind W, light; max temp 22°C (72°F).

SW England, S Wales: Sunny periods, perhaps rain later; wind SW, light or moderate; max temp 20°C (68°F).

N Wales, Isle of Man: Sunny periods, rain later; wind SW, light or moderate; max temp 18°C (64°F).

Lake District, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, SW Scotland, Glasgow, central Highlands, Moray Firth: Dry, sunny periods; wind SW, light; max temp, 19°C (66°F).

NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Dry, sunny periods; wind S, moderate; max temp 15°C (59°F).

Argyll, NW Scotland, N Ireland: Cloudy, rain later; wind S, moderate or fresh; max temp 17°C (63°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Sunday: Mainly dry, becoming warm in E and SE; cloudy elsewhere, with slight rain or drizzle, temp near normal.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max, 7 am to 7 pm, 22°C (72°F); min, 7 pm to 7 am, 16°C (61°F). Humid. 7 pm, 68 per cent. Rain: 2 to 7 pm, 0.07in. Sun: 24hr 7 pm, 3.0hr. Bar. mean sea le 7 pm, 1,008.9 millibars, falling 1,000 millibars=29.53in.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun; th, thunder.

		C	F			C	F
Algiers	s	33	91	Cologne	f	22	72
Amsterdm	c	20	68	Copenhgn	f	17	63
Athens	s	37	99	Dublin	r	16	61
Barcelona	s	28	82	Edinburgh	c	14	57
Beirut	c	29	84	Florence	s	31	88
Belfast	s	18	64	Funchal	s	26	79
Berlin	f	22	72	Geneva	s	24	75
Biarritz	s	23	73	Gibraltar	s	27	81
Birmingm	th	20	68	Guernsey	c	20	68
Bristol	c	21	70	Helsinki	s	17	63
Brussels	c	21	70	Innsbruck	s	26	79
Budapest	s	27	81	Istanbul	s	33	90
Cardiff	r	19	66	Jersey	s	17	63
L Palmas	s	28	82	New York	r	27	81
Lisbon	s	29	84	Nice	s	26	79
Locarno	s	27	81	Oslo	s	23	73
London	c	20	68	Paris	s	24	75
Luxemberg	s	28	82	Reykjavik	c	9	48
Madrid	s	29	84	Rome	s	30	86
Majorca	s	33	91	Ronidswy	c	16	61
Malaga	s	35	95	Stockholm	s	21	70
Malta	s	30	86	Tel Aviv	s	32	90
Manchstr	c	22	72	Venice	s	28	82
Moscow	s	24	75	Vienna	f	24	75
Munich	s	25	77	Warsaw	c	22	72
Naples	s	29	84	Zurich	s	24	75

At the resorts

24 hours to 6 pm, July 17

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max temp °C	°F	
E COAST					
Scarboro'	7.0	.08	21	70	Sun p
Bridlington	11.8	—	19	66	Sunny
Gorleston	5.5	.81	19	66	Thdr
Clacton	9.4	—	20	68	Cloud
Margate	7.0	.02	23	73	Sun fr
S COAST					
Hastings	1.7	.04	20	68	Cloud
Eastbourne	4.9	.07	19	66	Cloud
Brighton	3.9	—	19	66	Fog pm
Worthing	4.1	—	19	66	Cloud
Bognor R	6.0	.07	19	66	Sun fr
Southsea	3.2	.06	21	70	Cloud
Swanage	9.4	.06	21	70	Sun p
Bournemth	7.9	.02	22	72	Sun fr
Exmouth	3.9	.03	22	72	Thdr
Falmouth	3.5	.09	21	70	Shwr
SW COAST					
Morecambe	6.8	—	23	73	Sun p
Blackpool	4.4	—	21	70	Cloud
Ilfracombe	7.0	.06	19	66	Sun fr
Newquay	3.9	.06	20	68	Shwr

Overseas selling prices

Austria, Sch 15; Belgium, BFr 15; Cyprus, 45c; Denmark, DKr 2.50; Finland, Fmk 2.50; France, Fr 2; Germany, DMk 2.00; Greece, Dr 30; Holland, Dfl 1.75; Italy, Lire 350; Luxembourg, Lf 20; Malaysia, $sc 1.75; Malta, 5c; Norway, Kr 4.00; Portugal, Esc 20; Spain, Pes 30; Sweden, Skr 2.75; Switzerland, Sfr 2.50; USA, Canada, $1.00; Yugoslavia, Din 20

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Mr Hain resigns Liberal post

Mr Peter Hain, president of the Young Liberals, has resigned as the Liberal Party's publicity officer. In a sharply worded letter, he criticized the direction the party has taken since the last general election.

"The party's record in publicity since October has been appalling", he wrote to Mr Kenneth Vaus, chairman of the Liberal Party, and added that his resignation was not a technical matter concerned with publicity but a political one concerning the whole direction of the party.

Tower Bridge flier

A light aircraft that flew between the carriageway and upper gantry of Tower Bridge and under Waterloo Bridge, London, yesterday had its registration number noted by a Metropolitan Police launch.

Ambulance dispute

Ambulance officers from Edinburgh, Lothian, Fife and the Borders who have been answering emergency calls only during a pay dispute decided yesterday to work normally next week.

Inquiry to be held on death of mental hospital patient

By Neville Hodgkinson

An inquiry is to be held into events before the death from scald-type burns of a spastic, severely mentally retarded patient at a mental hospital in Surrey.

It will be conducted by the Merton, Sutton and Wandsworth Area Health Authority, which will take legal advice next week on its terms of reference and on whether to open it to the public. The decision to set up the inquiry was taken yesterday on the advice of the South West Thames Regional Health Authority.

The patient, Mr John Matthews, aged 24, died on June 4 at Queen Mary's Hospital, Roehampton, four days after being transferred from St Ebba's Hospital, Epsom, with second-degree burns covering 15 per cent of his body, including his buttocks, genitals, lower waist, upper thigh and the back of his knees.

An open verdict was recorded at an inquest at Battersea on June 23. Dr Gavin Thurston, the coroner, said that Mr Matthews died of broncho-pneumonia and burns of the scald type sustained in St Ebba's Hospital.

The burns were of the type a man might be expected to sustain when he sat down in a bath. But there was no proof, he added, unless someone was wilfully withholding information, that Mr Matthews had been put in a bath.

From the evidence it seemed that he was not put into a bath. There was no evidence on how the burns were sustained.

A verbatim note of the inquest proceedings was taken by Mrs Marie Dukelow, secretary of the Sutton and West Merton Community Health Council, one of the independent health service "watchdogs" set up last year.

She said yesterday that her council had asked that she should be allowed to attend the inquiry. "We need to find out exactly what happened, and obtain sufficient tightening of safeguards to ensure as far as possible that this never happens again", she said.

Dr Robin Benians, honorary secretary of the Wandsworth Association for Mental Health, which is also seeking a public inquiry, said it appeared that Mr Matthews might have been in agony for hours before he was found, but unable to make his plight known.

Doctors named in anti-abortion book cleared

The General Medical Council has decided that there is no case to be brought against two doctors accused of professional misconduct by the authors of *Babies for Burning*, the anti-abortion book.

The doctors, Mr Christopher Naylor and Dr Norman Chisholm, were alleged to have tried to obtain professional advantage and financial benefit by working for the Brook Advisory Centres, the birth control and abortion advice organization, which has openly advertised its services.

The authors backed their complaint with transcripts of tapes made during a visit to the Brook.

The GMC decision shows that at least two of the allegations made in the book are unfounded, Caroline Woodroffe, chairman of the Brook Advisory Centres, said yesterday.

She added that the book claimed to be an exposé of the abortion business in Britain and undoubtedly influenced MPs in favour of voting for a second reading of the Abortion (Amendment) Bill. "It is a pity they did not have this GMC decision at the time."

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HOME NEWS

Mr Marsh complains of council spending, 'like Monopoly game'

Living standards might fall to the level of the 1930s or worse unless the inflation rate is slowed, Mr Richard Marsh, chairman of British Rail said yesterday. He called on unions to control their power and governments to be "a little more willing" to take politically unpleasant decisions.

Mr Marsh also accused some local councils of "spending money as if they were playing Monopoly with a time limit on the game." He was speaking at the National Union of Railwaymen's conference in Jersey. Mr Marsh continued:

I make no secret of the fact that I think the Government's counter-inflationary policy is both courageous and broadly correct. If it is defeated in this attempt to slow down the present rate of inflation I believe it will be a tragedy, possibly even more damaging for ordinary working people than the economic collapse of the 1930s.

One thing is clear: neither this government nor any other can deal with the present economic crisis unless it can carry the rank and file of unions with it.

Today the organized worker possesses more power than any other group in society. Far more power, if he chooses to use it, than Parliament itself and certainly more than any industrialist. Today, more than at any other time, the future of this country depends very much on how that power is exercised, and I do not think that that statement is in any way over-dramatic.

Mr Marsh said it would be absurd to seek to place all the blame for Britain's economic ills on trade union wage demands. Britain's was still a low-wage economy by the standards of modern industrial nations. It was also absurd to place all the blame on the nationalized industries.

The size of wage settlements had got to be reduced. Public spending had to be cut at the same time "and it cannot be said too often that most public spending is authorized directly or indirectly by MPs of both parties." Mr Marsh added: Unless they are a little more willing in the future than they have been in the past to take politically unpleasant decisions, telling the rest of us to tighten our belts will not be enough.

We have heard a lot recently about alleged overmanning on the railway. In the past 10 years we have reduced the labour force by 37 per cent and it is not being complacent to say the national and local government should look at their own staff numbers and start putting their own house in order.

Mr Marsh said the interests of the railways board and its workers were tied up with the success or failure of the industry, adding:

Unless we can work together then the future of the railway can be very bleak indeed. I have never made any secret of my view that the railway has to be paid for, at least in part, as a social service. One of the problems since the war has been the refusal to face the fact that neither this railway system nor any other in the world can be run in a commercial fashion.

Mr Marsh later denied that he was among nationalized industry chiefs who, as reported in *The Times* yesterday, had written to Mr Wilson, requesting a 28 per cent pay rise.

He said: "I wrote to the Prime Minister a week ago reminding him that it is now *seven months since he had* deferred consideration of the salaries of nationalized industry chairmen, and, more important, those of board members."

NUR demand: Delegates at the NUR conference instructed their leaders to press for "substantial" pay increases. But that was after Mr Sidney Weighell, the union's general secretary, had told them it would be within the Government's £6 a week limit. He said they had effectively decided that when they supported the Government's anti-inflation policy.

NUM chiefs accept £6 wage limit

By Paul Routledge
Labour Editor

The most powerful obstacle to the success of the Government's income policy was removed yesterday when miners' leaders voted to accept the £6-a-week limit on pay increases.

The executive of the National Union of Mineworkers voted 14 to 10 to support the wage restraint plan and the union's 265,000 members are being asked to endorse the decision in a secret pithead ballot next month.

Because of pit holidays, the ballot is unlikely to take place until the third week of the month, but the result should be available before the annual Trades Union Congress opens in Blackpool in the first week of September.

The consummate political timing by the majority moderate group on the NUM executive is designed to produce a big vote in favour of the Cabinet's policy and so influence the TUC pay debate, during which left-wing union leaders will launch a strong attack on the anti-inflation White Paper.

Mr Joseph Gormley, the miners' president, said the union was "trying to give a lead in democracy again" by accepting the £6 limit and recommending it to its members. The executive had also limited to £6 a week a salary increase for 65 elected, full-time officials.

He omitted to say, however, that the £6 rise for officials had been agreed only after his casting vote at a meeting of the union's finance committee the day before. The committee tied 3-3 on the moderates' proposal to implement the policy inside the NUM.

A left-wing move to have no pay rises at all for officials was defeated by the presidential casting vote after a similar tie.

At yesterday's executive meeting Mr Sidney Vincent, secretary of the Lancashire miners, tried to halt the move to apply the £6 limit to officials by referring back the finance committee's report. He wanted £16 a week for the full-time officials, but his proposal attracted only nine votes and failed.

Despite the majority vote in favour of accepting the Government-TUC restraints on pay, there will inevitably be a left-wing campaign in the coalfields aimed at persuading the men to reject the recommendation and fight on for the £100 a week claimed for coalface workers.

In the newly constituted executive of 25 members, the left is only 10 strong. In the absence yesterday of Mr Bill McLean, the communist secretary of the Scots miners, the left's vote was made up by Mr Frank Gormill, leader of the Scots craftsmen.

Mr Michael McGahey, the communist president of the Scots miners, made clear yesterday that his area would oppose the recommendation.

The policy adopted by the executive, he said, was "in complete variation" with last week's conference decision to "seek" £100 at the coalface. "In a period when they are exhorting the miners to increase production and improve productivity, the result of this policy would mean increased exploitation of mineworkers."



The Zulu dance company in rehearsals yesterday at the New London Theatre, Drury Lane, of *Kwa Zulu*, "Africa's musical explosion of love", which opens there on July 24.

Outlook for airport noise levels gloomy

By Arthur Reed
Air Correspondent

A generally gloomy future view of noise affecting residents living near airports was taken yesterday by Mr Nigel Foulkes, chairman of the British Airports Authority.

Presenting his authority's annual report and accounts in London, he said that quieter aircraft had arrived at last, but it would be many years before they displaced the older, noisier models.

Air traffic growth was temporarily at a standstill but it would grow again. With no Maplin (the proposed third London airport now ruled out), Heathrow and Gatwick would have to bear the brunt of the increased traffic.

"It seems inconceivable to me that we shall see a new airport built in this country again, at any rate in my lifetime", Mr Foulkes said.

Asked whether the Concorde would be acceptable at Heathrow, Mr Norman Payne, chief executive of the authority, said noise measurements taken during route-proving flights were not representative enough to give an indication. Up to two hundred people had complained to the authority so far.

Mr Foulkes reported a profit after tax of £3.8m for the financial year 1974-75, the same as the previous year, but said that the number of passengers was down by 2.8 per cent.

The Anti-Concorde Project said last night that it is distributing complaints cards to residents near Heathrow. Addressed to British Airways, the cards threaten a travel boycott of the airline while it is involved with the Concorde.

BAA prospects, page 16.

15-year sentence

Peter Worley, aged 32, of no fixed address, was jailed for 15 years yesterday at Winchester Crown Court for the manslaughter of Mr Eric Fuller, aged 60, of Paynes Road, Shirley, Southampton, in March.

Ringo Starr decree

A decree nisi, based on adultery, was granted to Mrs Maureen Starkey against her husband, Ringo Starr, the former Beatle, in an undefended action in London yesterday.

QC locked up

Proceedings at Winchester Crown Court were held up yesterday when Mr David Owen Thomas, QC, was locked in a cell with a client and prison officers mislaid the key.

University closures

Two speeches suggesting that some universities and polytechnics might need to be closed to preserve quality institutions are reported fully today in *The Times Higher Education Supplement*. There are also an article on Roland Barthes, the French critic, and letters on the state of academic publishing.

Lord James backs elitism in education

From Mark Vaughan
of The Times Educational Supplement
Cardiff

In a strong defence of universities and the concept of elitism Lord James of Rusholme yesterday advocated a few institutions of "really superb quality" to ensure that the best was passed on to the next generation.

He told the annual conference of the Council of Local Education Authorities in Cardiff that if society was contemplating a great increase in higher education then it was not undemocratic to envisage "a hierarchy of institutions". There was a multiplication of institutions and courses, and many universities had become too large.

Lord James, former Vice-Chancellor of York University, said that many people questioned whether universities in any recognizable form could continue "in a world where 'elite' has become a term of abuse". Although nothing could be more harmful for a university than becoming an ivory tower, intellectually they were elitist. That was necessary because a "comprehensive university" was a contradiction in terms.

The function of a university was not simply to respond to social needs, but to "transform society".

Lord James was attacked by several delegates for his "elitist" speech. One from Mid Glamorgan accused him of "educational fascism" and said his speech was "very dangerous". Another delegate wished that he had used the phrase "variety of institutions" instead of "hierarchy".

Lord James said that that was a mistake.

Council threatened over school fees

From Our Correspondent
Luton

A legal action was threatened yesterday over a council's decision to stop sending its brightest pupils to four independent schools. Fees for the 1,200 children involved cost Bedfordshire ratepayers more than £510,000.

The Harpur Trust, which owns the four schools affected, said it might sue Bedfordshire County Council. The figure involved might be as high as £3m. The ending of government aid to direct-grant schools has hastened the end of the system. Sir John Howard, chairman of the trust, said:

The agreement provides that the education authority continue to take up places in the four Harpur Trust schools for 15 years. Partly because of this undertaking, the trust entered into large capital commitments. Should the county council now decide to dishonour the agreement, they could be called upon to pay damages which could fall on the ratepayers.

Plea to parents: Parents of sixth form college students at Solihull, which with Richmond, Surrey, sends more to university than any other authority, were asked yesterday to make contributions of up to £6 a year to help to support their children's A-level studies (a Staff Reporter writes).

Mr Dudley Love, director of education, said:

I hope for a good response and the parents will see that it is because of the financial situation. Is it any different really from raising money through a garden fête or similar exercise?

Oxford dons' salaries to rise by a fifth

From Our Correspondent
Oxford

The salaries of 2,300 dons and other staff at Oxford University will be increased from October 1 by about a fifth.

That is the effect of the arbitration award for all universities, which was announced in June. In addition the academics will receive cost-of-living bonuses, still to be negotiated. They will be subject to the terms of the White Paper *The Attack on Inflation*.

"Oxford is rather belatedly following what other universities have done in making the announcement", Mr Geoffrey Caston the registrar, said.

Mr Short sees angry MPs

By Our Political Staff

Seven Labour backbenchers who maintain that increases in MPs' salaries ought to be higher, saw Mr Short, Leader of the Commons, yesterday. He is understood to have told them that the Government is considering tabling three motions for the debate on Tuesday.

One would cover the proposed increase; a second would relate to pensions; and the third would propose MPs' salaries be linked in future to some recognizable scale.

Labour backbenchers who are convinced that the Government should have awarded a bigger increase are considering tabling amendments to the government motions once they have seen them.

Pay rise refused: Mrs Maureen Colquhoun, Labour MP for Northampton, North, said yesterday that she will not accept her £24-a-week rise in the light of the anti-inflation measures (Our Northampton Correspondent writes).

Mr Prior defends Tory unity

By Our Political Staff

Mr Prior, shadow spokesman for employment, denied yesterday that there were any serious divisions inside the Opposition on its reaction to the Government's anti-inflation measures.

Answering questions on the BBC's *World at One* programme, he said: "No I don't think there are any. There are always some divisions within a party."

When asked if it was not the case that some Conservatives supported a statutory policy on incomes while others opposed one, he replied:

"The whole party believes that there has got to be a drastic reduction in the level of pay settlements. Some take the view that a statutory incomes policy or a specific incomes policy is not desirable.

"All can unite behind a policy that sets out drastic reductions in the level of pay settlements, strict cash limits in the public sector and cuts in government spending."

Most literacy students work in skilled trades

By Tim Devlin
Education Correspondent

Workers in skilled trades predominate in a survey published today of illiterate adults enrolling on courses to learn how to read and write.

The survey of 82 students at Reading, Berkshire, shows that two of the men are metal-polishers. Others include an electrical maintenance engineer, a painter and decorator, a landscape gardener, a farmer, a panel-beater, an art student, and a motor mechanic.

Two nurses, a ward orderly and a retired nurse are among women who have enrolled, as well as eight housewives and a cosmetics demonstrator.

Mrs Ann Risman, head of the town's adult education services, comments: "It would be dangerous to assume that our students are seriously disadvantaged economically. Few, in fact, appear to be any more so than their reading counterparts in the working-class community.

"It would be obvious that most are in jobs that they can perform on their own and that require varying standards of manual dexterity and skill. One can only marvel at the tragically unused potential of a man or woman who has to devote so much intelligence, energy and initiative to preserving the secret of his or her illiteracy."

Mrs Risman's survey is published by the Adult Literacy Resources Agency, which is coordinating a government campaign to combat illiteracy among an estimated one million to two million adults in Britain.

Adult college doomed for lack of funds

From Our Correspondent
Shrewsbury

An adult college at Attingham Park, near Shrewsbury, is likely to close on November 30. Salop County Council has decided that it cannot give the financial assistance necessary to keep the college open.

Last week the Department of Education and Science made clear that no national grant aid would be forthcoming and that the onus of supporting the independent college rested on Salop Education Committee.

In a letter to the county council Dr Alan Shrank, chairman of the Friends of Attingham, a group of users and well-wishers, says: "The loss of this inspiration for adult education will be a tragedy for all Salopians."

Labour revolt over picketing clause

A section of the Employment Protection Bill dealing with peaceful picketing was defeated in the committee stage yesterday when several Labour backbench MPs abstained from voting.

They were protesting against the failure of the Bill to relax the law on picketing. A number of amendments they had moved earlier to secure wider picketing rights were defeated by 10 votes to seven when opposition members, two government ministers and one Labour backbencher voted against them.

Mr Jeffrey Rooker (Perry Bar, Lab), who abstained, said the peaceful picketing clause was useless because it gave no right for pickets to communicate with people.

He maintained that Labour MPs had been "conned" by government promises, and moved amendments proposing that peaceful picketing on the highway should not be regarded as obstruction. Mr Booth, the Minister of State for Employment, defended the peaceful picketing section and rejected the amendments.

He said the Bill did not confer any substantial new rights; it merely clarified the law. It declared the right to seek to persuade someone to stop for the purpose of exchanging information.

Drink-drive prosecutions likely to rise

By Clive Borrell

The number of prosecutions against drunken motorists and pedestrians is expected to reach 200,000 this year for the first time in England and Wales. The forecast is given today in the annual report on drink offences published by the Christian Economic and Social Research Foundation.

Estimated figures for England and Wales for the past year show a 6 per cent increase in drinking offences on 1973.

The report expresses concern at the recommendations in the Erroll report that public houses should be allowed to stay open all day.

During winter evenings pensioners would be vulnerable to drunken "muggers" and schoolgirls would be exposed to attack on their way home, it says.



Cyprus heroine: A Red Cross nurse, Miss Susan Quinn, of Milton Abbas, Dorset, arriving yesterday at British Red Cross headquarters in London where she was presented with the Florence Nightingale Medal for refusing to abandon her child charges in the Cyprus fighting last year.

Vegetable costs tumble after the rain

Food prices

Hugh Clayton

Lettuces, tomatoes, potatoes and carrots have all become markedly cheaper after several weeks of extremely high prices. *Peas, strawberries* and raspberries are all as cheap in England as they are likely to be this year.

Recent rains have helped outdoor salad crops, so that round lettuces have fallen by about 3p each to a minimum of 8p, while the crisper cos and Webb varieties start at 10p. Spring onions are from 8p a bunch, although most will cost more, and tomatoes are between 18p and 26p a pound.

New potato prices have dropped sharply to about 10p a pound, while young home-grown carrots have settled at 14p to 18p a pound, or about 16p for a bunch that usually weighs well under a pound. Cauliflowers are steady at 14p to 16p each and English courgettes are arriving at 22p to 28p a pound.

Peas in the pod start at 8p a pound, although most will cost 10p or more. They should be examined carefully for maggots during podding. Although broad beans are approaching the end of their season some good specimens with skins that have not become too leathery are available outside the Home Counties.

Wholesalers in London predicted yesterday that peaches would soon become cheaper because of heavier supplies from Italy. The smallest cost about 6p each now and the best 10p or 12p, often with a small discount for buying three or more. Oranges have become slightly cheaper in the past week, but gooseberries are steady at 18p a pound or more.

Soft fruits are at their best, with strawberries starting at 22p a pound for fairly large quantities. Those sold in 6oz or 8oz punnets cost between 28p and 36p a pound. Raspberries are still 40p a pound and should be examined carefully for signs of mould.

Well publicized cuts of up to 20p a pound on meat will not be found in many shops. With demand high for steaks and other grilling cuts, especially from caterers, most reductions will be concentrated on heavy joints that nobody wants to prepare or chew in hot summer weather.

Anyone with time to spare would do well to roll a boned piece off a beef rib and serve it cold with a salad or cold vegetables. That can cost much less than the modern favourite, steak and chips with salad.

Price cuts on the great variety of fresh fruit and vegetables now available make it easier than ever to do without meat for a main meal. Now that a few shops have redcurrants at about 20p a pound all the ingredients are readily available for a chilled summer pudding.

Goldenlay, the largest egg marketing company in Britain, said yesterday that prices of all grades would rise by 4p a dozen next week, except for large which would increase by only 3p. That was because of low output and negligible imports from France.

Some supermarkets have cheap imported butter for the weekend, including Liptons and International Stores at 13p for half a pound. Safeway supermarkets are selling Schweppes soft drinks at 7½p a bottle. Liptons have Findus fish fingers at 27p for 10, compared with a recommended retail price of more than 30p.

Advisory service to supplement the Children Bill

By Pat Healy
Social Services Correspondent

A counselling service is to be introduced before the Children Bill which will give adopted people the right to information about their natural parents, is enacted. That assurance was given last night by Dr Owen, Minister of State for Health, during the committee stage of the Bill.

Fears had been expressed that natural parents might be distressed by sudden confrontation, despite a guarantee of confidentiality when they had had their children adopted. The Bill proposes to allow all adopted children in England and Wales the right to obtain their full birth certificates when they reach the age of 18.

It the experience of most adoption agencies adopted people want information about their natural parents in order to know more about their own origins, not because they want to meet them. It is expected that the counselling service will include measures to prevent sudden visits.

Call for government lead over race relations

By Peter Evans
Home Affairs Correspondent

Mr Mark Bonham Carter, chairman of the Community Relations Commission, criticized successive governments yesterday for failing to give a proper lead on race relations.

At a press conference on the commission's annual report, he said:

They have not acknowledged publicly the existence of the very real problems that exist. They have not informed themselves adequately on the nature of the problems. They have not acted on the recommendations of bodies like the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration. They have not set an example. We are saying that unless you do set an example in your own practice and nail your flag to the mast you cannot expect many people to follow you.

I had asked him about comments in the commission's annual report that seemed to imply disillusionment with the Government. One said that the commission's duties as set forth in the Race Relations Act, 1968, were so vague that it had largely to provide its own terms of reference.

Another spoke of the commission's developing its strategy "without large resources or powerful political support".

Mr Bonham Carter replied that a budget of just over £1m was not very substantial.

The report states that the most important part that the Government generally and the Home Office in particular could play was to pursue an active policy.

Community Relations 1974-1975. Annual report of the Community Relations Commission. (Stationery Office, £1.35.)

Spinster denies wanting sister's 'unnatural end'

From Our Correspondent
Leeds

A spinster accused of helping her elderly sister to commit suicide told a jury at Leeds Crown Court yesterday that she never had any desire to see anything unnatural end her sister's life.

The spinster, Evelyn Hudson, aged 55, spoke of her lonely life before meeting Mr Terence Huntington, aged 48, a twice-married British Rail engine driver. She said Mr Huntington was her first man friend since she was 18 but her sister, Emma, who was 73, did not approve of him.

Three months after Miss Hudson had left her sister to go to live with Mr Huntington the sister killed herself with an overdose of sleeping tablets. It was her third attempt at suicide, the court was told. Yesterday, Miss Hudson denied assisting her to commit suicide to clear the way for her to marry Mr Huntington.

Miss Hudson, who lives with Mr Huntington at Wynford Way, Low Moor, Bradford, had pleaded not guilty to complicity in suicide. The prosecution alleges that she actively encouraged and assisted her sister to take her own life by deliberately leaving a large quantity of Soneryl sleeping tablets within her reach.

In evidence Miss Hudson, who lived with her sister for 23 years at Cutler Place, Bradford, also denied knowing that her sister wanted to take her life. She agreed that she would have inherited £4,500 from her sister's estate.

She said of Mr Huntington: "I am hoping to marry him. It is a question of getting a divorce. My state of health before I met him was wretched. I led a hermit's life before he came on the scene."

She said she last saw her sister two days before her death last November.

Her sister did not like her own Mogadon sleeping tablets because they left a sweet taste, so she had asked Miss Hudson for her stronger Soneryl tablets. "I emptied my Soneryl into her old Mogadon bottle", Miss Hudson said.

The trial continues today.

£38,000 yield for charity from stamp issue

By Martin Huckerby

A charity postage stamp should be on sale all the year round, the trustees for the experimental scheme earlier this year believe. But the Post Office said yesterday no further issues are planned.

It announced that 5,500,000 of the special stamps were sold in the four-week period from January 22. Each stamp cost 6p, and 1½p of that went to the charity scheme, producing £84,000.

After costs of the Post Office and trustees are deducted £38,000 is to be passed to the charities, which include Age Concern, the Cheshire Homes, the Cancer Research Campaign and the National Deaf Children's Society.

Murder trial judge looks over double-death caravan

From Our Correspondent
York

Peter Cook, aged 28, was led from York Crown Court yesterday handcuffed to a prison officer; then, his handcuffs removed, he followed his counsel into a small caravan in which he is said to have shot dead his wife and her lover.

A detective held the weapon, a 12-bore shotgun, while Mr Cook gave his version.

He spent about seven minutes describing to Mr Gilbert Gray, QC, his counsel, and his junior counsel and solicitor what happened shortly before the shooting of his wife, Kathleen, aged 24, and Mr Bruce Truman, aged 35, whose roles were played during the reenactment by a policeman and a girl.

More than a hundred tourists crowded around the caravan. Mr Justice Caulfield told the jury that it would be embarrassing if they inspected the caravan in the court precincts. The caravan was towed about 150 yards to York fire station, where the nine men and three women jurors and the judge inspected the caravan individually.

After 10 minutes they returned to the court to begin hearing the evidence of Mr Cook, a plant attendant, of Hallgate, Howden, north Humberside, who has pleaded not guilty to both murders.

Road deaths fall

People killed and injured on the roads in the first quarter of this year totalled 71,300, up 1 per cent on last year, but deaths were down by 8 per cent to 1,450.

43rd Moorgate death

A City of London Coroner's jury yesterday returned a verdict of accidental death on Mrs Jane Roberta Simpson, aged 23, social worker, of Highbury Crescent, Islington, the forty-third victim of the Moorgate Underground disaster.

No aid for tunnels

Mr Gilbert, Minister for Transport, has refused Merseyside County Council's request for government financial aid towards the cost of running the two Mersey tunnels. He has also proposed that tolls for private motorists should be increased from 15p to 25p.

School dispute for arbitration

A dispute between Bradford teachers and the local authority about staffing cuts is to go to arbitration.

Bradford Metropolitan Council has agreed to the procedure in an attempt to resolve the controversy over its decision to reduce the number of teachers by 170 as an economy.

Jersey move on rabies

By Diana Geddes

The Jersey States (parliament) is expected to approve in the next few weeks new draft legislation that would bring the island's quarantine and anti-rabies regulations into line with the stiff measures applying in the United Kingdom since February.

There are no quarantine restrictions for animals moving between the Channel Islands and the mainland. Guernsey has no quarantine facilities and anyone wishing to import an animal that would normally be subject to six months' quarantine must bring it in by way of Jersey. So any change in the Jersey law would automatically affect the other Channel Islands.

In Kent, there were more than a hundred known cases of illegal landings of animals in the last nine months of 1974. Even with the new severe penalties for offenders of an unlimited fine and a possible prison sentence of one year people continue to smuggle animals.

Dog warden plan: The Government was yesterday urged to increase dog licence fees from the present annual 37½p to £3 for a three-year period and approve a local "dog warden" scheme for catching strays. The proposals were made in a report, *Dogs in the United Kingdom*, published by the Joint Advisory Committee on Pets in Society.

WEST EUROPE

Nine decide to oppose expulsions from UN

From Michael Hornsby and David Cross
Brussels, July 17

European heads of government in a statement today expressed the EEC's intention to "defend and promote respect for the (United Nations) Charter, for the rights of member states and for the existing rules of procedure". This was a response to recent Arab moves to have Israel excluded from the world body.

The statement was issued after a two-day summit meeting in Brussels of the European Council, which ended today.

Explaining the EEC's position, Mr Wilson and Mr Callaghan, the Foreign Secretary, said that the Nine would be "robust" in their opposition to the expulsion of any members of the United Nations.

There was a feeling, the Prime Minister said, that certain groups of nations and individual countries were abusing the United Nations' rules of procedure in a way that was bound to undermine the working of the organization.

The heads of government also agreed that the French should reconvene in September the stalled preparatory talks which are intended to lead to a conference of consumer and producer nations to discuss energy and related questions of raw materials. The conference itself is now envisaged for the end of November, preceded by the next summit of EEC heads of government in Rome.

At his press conference, Mr Wilson said he deeply regretted that the EEC had been unable to formulate a common energy policy and that it would not be in a position to speak with a single voice

He had been greatly impressed by an analysis of the problem of raw material supplies on which Herr Schmidt, the West German Chancellor had embarked at the working luncheon at the Royal Palace in Brussels.

Herr Schmidt was strongly in favour of a scheme for stabilizing the export earnings of the world's poorest producer-nations. He suggested that this might partly be financed out of the International Monetary Fund's gold holdings.

The summit did not produce the expected document outlining the EEC's views on relations with the developing world and producers of raw materials. But there seemed to be an agreement of opinion that a basis had now been established for the adoption of a joint Community position at the special session of the United Nations General Assembly in September which is to be devoted to these matters.

In their review of the European and world economic situation, the heads of government agreed, in Mr Wilson's words, that the present recession had been "deeper and longer" than originally forecast. In a joint statement, the EEC leaders recognized that if there was to be "any hope of an effective economic recovery" it had to be "tackled in cooperation with the other industrialized countries (in particular the United States and Japan)".



Troops carry a banner proclaiming "Soldiers always at the side of the people" at a demonstration in Lisbon against the political parties.

Peace talks opened in Angola

Luanda, July 17.—Rival black nationalist groups today met for truce talks for the first time since last week's renewed clashes turned Luanda into a battlefield in which 300 people died.

With guns silent and the communist-backed Angolan Liberation Movement controlling most of the capital, its leaders met leaders of the rival National Front and the National Union, the third party in the paralysed interim administration.

Party sources said an attempt was being made to patch up political differences, revive the three-party transitional Government and restore order to the capital's broken down public services. Portugal plans to give the West African colony independence on November 11.

General Silva Cardoso, the Portguese High Commissioner in the territory, meanwhile appealed to the United Nations relief agencies in Switzerland for emergency supplies of food to ward off possible starvation among 5,000 whites made homeless by the fighting in the streets.

General Cardoso's officials said food to last 15 days was sought for refugees who crowded into the Government Palace grounds guarded by contingents of Portugal's army of 27,000 men still in Angola. The metropolitain troops are standing by with orders to maintain an "active neutrality."—UPI.

£500,000 gems raid at Cannes

Paris, July 17.—Four armed men who held up a jeweller's shop this afternoon on the Croisette at Cannes, made off with jewelry worth more than £500,000.

They snatched all the jewelry in one window, and covered their getaway with gunfire. At the peak of the holiday season big jewellers in resorts like Cannes customarily put their most valuable pieces on display.

No progress on troop cuts after 20 months' talking

Vienna, July 17.—Nato and Soviet block diplomats, trying to arrange troop reductions in Central Europe, reported no concrete results today after 20 months of negotiations.

Recessing for the summer, both sides reported continued stalemate. The Western alliance said the latest round of talks was disappointing, and a Nato spokesman added: "The views of both sides are still far apart."

Privately, Western and communist delegates said there were hopes that the negotiations, resuming in mid-September, would be given a psychological lift by the European security conference summit, still tentatively scheduled to open in Helsinki on July 30.

The 12-nation Nato group and the seven-nation Warsaw Pact side, blamed each other for lack of progress, but said the atmosphere remained friendly and useful.

The Soviet block disclosed that it was pressing for an agreed definition of what type of forces should be included in ground and air categories for the purpose of the negotiations.

Nato officials said this was a technical matter, and was dependent on willingness by the Warsaw Pack to exchange data on military manpower. The Nato spokesman blamed Warsaw Pact negotiators for a "blanket refusal to disclose figures".—Reuter.

Our Geneva Correspondent writes: The European security conference today approved its texts relating to cooperation in the fields of economics, science and technology and the environment. The difficulty over the most-favoured-nation principle in trade was overcome by a compromise form of wording.

While agreement has been reached also on advance notification of military manoeuvres, by means of a clause under which Turkey will not have to give notice of manoeuvres close to its frontiers with Iran, Irak and Syria, many minor points have still to be settled.

It begins to seem problematical whether the conference can complete its negotiating phase by the deadline of tomorrow night that it set itself.

Proposal to create Nato militia forces

By Henry Stanhope
Defence Correspondent

The creation of a new military supremo in Nato, equal in status to the Secretary-General, is put forward in the Royal United Services Institution *Journal* as part of a plan to streamline the organization of the alliance.

The suggestion is made by Wing Commander David Bolton, in the last of three articles on the security of Western Europe. He also commends the use of militia forces in the West which could involve the public more in their own defence, capitalize on feelings of national pride and improve Nato's strength for little or no additional cost.

The author, now serving with RAF Germany, describes the creation of a military supremo as a "deliberately radical proposal" designed to promote debate on how Nato's organization could be improved.

The present posts of Supreme Allied Commander Europe (Saceur) and Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic (Saclant) could be demoted to the status of commanders-in-chief under the new supremo.

He also suggests the abolition of the present national corps headquarters in Europe, and the establishment of multinational headquarters instead under another new post—Commander Land Central Europe (Comlandcent).

Wing Commander Bolton says that Nato and its member nations face the challenge of reconciling political, economic and sociological pressures to reduce defence spending with the increasing military might of the Warsaw Pact.

Swedish industrial leaders approve five-week holiday

From Roger Choate
Stockholm, July 17

Proposed legislation granting Swedish workers a minimum of five weeks annual holiday received a warm reception today from industrial and labour leaders.

The chairman of the Swedish Employers' Confederation threw cold water upon another proposal to reduce the working day to six hours.

The Social Democratic Government said the autumn Parliament would be presented with proposals increasing the annual holiday from four to five weeks, effective within two years.

It was expected that Parliament would pass the legislation, which would give blue collar workers the same length of holiday as that now enjoyed by many middle class wage earners.

The extra weeks, which had been sought by the Swedish Labour Confederation, were approved by industrial leaders such as Mr Hans Werthen, president of the Electrolux Corporation. He noted that they would reduce the working week by about one hour.

Mr Curt-Steffan Giesecke, chairman of the Employers' Confederation, said a five-week holiday would mean that demands for reducing the working day from eight to six hours would have to be shelved for the time being.

"A six-hour day cannot become more than mere rhetoric until productivity rises to the point of which the same amount can be produced in a shorter space of time", he said.

He spoke as Mr Olof Palme, the Prime Minister was reported to be drawing up plans for a six-hour day.

Fish poisoned by cyanide in the Moselle

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, July 17

Two hundred French soldiers were set to work today to remove tons of fish destroyed by the industrial discharge of cyanide into the River Moselle, near Pont-à-Mousson. The quantity of cyanide, according to experts from the European Institute of Ecology in Metz, was sufficient to kill off all river life for more than 20 miles.

M Jean Rochet, the prefect of the Meurthe and Moselle department, said that those responsible for polluting the river would be prosecuted. Local fishing clubs said they would sue the firm alleged to be responsible.

According to the institute experts, samples showed that the amount discharged varied between 10 and 100 times the permitted level for noxious industrial waste.

French Premier in talks over reflation

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, July 17

M Chirac, the French Prime Minister, today began a round of consultations with employers and trade unions as a prelude to fixing the Government's economic policy for combating the depression by the end of the month.

Emerging from the Prime Minister's office today, M François Ceyrac, president of the Patronat (employers' organization) urged the Government "to take action as *quickly as possible*", particularly recommending measures to stimulate domestic consumption and investment

M Ceyrac expressed satisfaction with France's export performance for June, but said the country was "vulnerable" so long as the United States dollar and the Japanese yen remained undervalued.

French soldiers' charter of rights

From Charles Hargrove
Paris, July 17

French recruits will have to wait a little longer for the sergeant-major to tuck them into bed at night. But the new code of military discipline adopted by the government goes yet a stage further in turning the long-suffering *poilu* into a modern soldier-citizen, with rights as well as duties, including the right to complain, though not to wear his hair long or to join a trade union.

The new code is hardly revolutionary, and its image of the French conscript remains soberly conventional compared to the long-haired wonders of the Netherlands armed forces or the civilians in uniform of the Bundeswehr, as French television viewers could judge for themselves last week.

By contrast, the British colonel and the "square bashing" English style, struck viewers like something straight out of Kipling.

President Giscard d'Estaing at yesterday's Cabinet meeting had set the limits of reform by emphasizing that the code "reconciled a number of principles of permanent validity with a certain number of adaptations to modern life".

M Yvon Bourges, the Defence Minister, told a press conference today that "the military community is not just like any other. One does not go to a barracks as one does to an office. There is no question of giving way to laxity. We must not compromise in any way the conditions in which the armed forces carry out their mission."

If discipline is no longer the mainstay of an Army, it remains one of its strengths. The new code makes a clear distinction between duty and leisure, and maintains strict standards for barracks and training. But after hours, there will be no restrictions on the wearing of civilian clothes, and saluting will be dispensed with.

The French forces will not have an obmudsman, but provision is made for wider consultation and recourse to a National Council representing all ranks, which was set up five years ago

Apart from discipline, the improvements decided by the Government are designed to humanize conditions of national service, which there is no question of abolishing, make the national serviceman more aware of the facilities at his disposal, and ease his return to a job in civilian life.

Grants for men whose families are in financial straits will be trebled, as pay was earlier this year. The special weekend leave trains between Paris and garrisons in Eastern France and Germany—designed to meet one of the main grievances of conscripts serving there—introduced experimentally a short while ago, are to be extended to other regions.

Many of these improvements, are the work of General Bigeard, the dynamic paratrooper who was made a junior minister earlier this year with special responsibility for morale and personnel.

The aim, as he put it this morning, was to "make the current flow" from the top to the bottom. "The framework has been set. There is still lots to do. All improvements are good, provided we have an army which has spirit, and is backed up by the nation."

He noted an improvement in the morale of national servicemen, and the population as a whole understood the necessity for national defence a little better than before.

But some Frenchmen think this coddling of French conscripts had already gone too far.

Italian campaign against higher telephone rates

From Our Own Correspondent
Rome, July 17

About 3,000 subscribers in Rome alone have refused to accept the new increases in telephone charges and have paid their bills on the basis of the old rates. The campaign to refuse payment of the increases is being organized by two small parties of the extreme left.

The technique is to pay the old rates and send a registered letter to the telephone company contesting the legitimacy of the new charges.

A group of Socialist deputies called on the Government to reconsider the increase as they are seen to damage the interests mainly of the poorer classes.

The Government replied that the increased charges were made to provide a guarantee for investments already planned for improvements, and if these did not go ahead there would be the threat of short-time for 150,000 workers.

OVERSEAS

US Senate investigator calls for end to 'epidemic of corruption' by oil firms in Italy

From Frank Vogl
US Economics Correspondent
Washington, July 17

The Mobil Oil Corporation today admitted to having made more than $2m (about £900,000) worth of political contributions in Italy in the four years to the end of 1973. The payments were made by a host of devious means.

One payment involved a deposit by Mobil to the bank account of Shell Italiana, the Italian subsidiary of Royal Dutch Shell, which was used by Shell for its own political payments.

In many respects the hearing today of the Senate subcommittee on multinational corporations was even more shocking than yesterday's session when Exxon admitted to political payments in Italy of up to $51m in the 10 years to the end of 1972. Today, for the first time, it became perfectly clear just how the payments were made and just how deep the corruption went in Italy.

At one point in today's hearing, Senator Frank Church, *the comittee's chairman*, exclaimed in exasperation: "We have to find a way to put an end to this epidemic of corruption".

One disclosure today was that Mobil paid more money to the Italian Socialist Party, than it did to the Christian Democrat Party. *In some cases it was* clear that the level of payments made by Mobil were in direct relation to the volume of oil that it managed to sell to ENEL, the nationalized Italian power company.

It also became clear from documents released by Mobil that many political contributions by oil companies were used by the oil industry's trade association, the Unione Petrolifera. *For example, one paragraph* in the documents notes that Mobil "deposited $33,000 to the Italcasse Bank account of the Unione Petrolifera to pay interest costs incurred by it on a bank loan for the purpose of making political contributions to the parties through ENEL".

Another paragraph says Mobil "deposited $5,000 to the bank account of Shell Italiana in response to revised recommendations *from Unione Petrolifera* as to the respective amounts that Shell and Mobil should contribute to the political parties . . . No doubt has been raised that this amount had been contributed by Shell to one of the established political parties."

Mr Everett Checket, a Mobil vice-president, argued today that his company's political contributions in Italy were legal; but Senator Church wanted to know, if this was the case, why there was a need to falsify the company's books to show the contributions merely as advertising or research expenses.

Many of the payments made by United States oil companies in Italy hardly fit the American *view of business ethics and* would certainly have been illegal in the country; but multinational companies clearly take a different view, even if they are owned mainly by Americans and have their headquarters in the United States.

Mr Checket, for example, said today "It does not follow that every legal requirement of the United States achieves status as a standard to be applied *throughout the world.*"

US sells more grain to Russia

Washington, July 17.—The United States Department of Agriculture today confirmed another American-Soviet wheat deal, bringing to 3,200,000 tons the total amount of wheat officially sold to the Russians this year.

At the same time, the Canadian Wheat Board announced the sale of two million long tons of wheat to the Soviet *Union.*

The Russian purchases from America, the Department of Agriculture stated, will have little effect on food prices in American supermarkets.

Yesterday, the department announced that Cook Industries, one of the largest grain exporting companies, has sold two million tonnes and Cargill Inc, of Minneapolis, said it was completing arrangements to sell another 1,200,000 tons.

There were unconfirmed rumours of additional deals involving wheat and other grains. One exporter said in New York: "We have been in conversation with them (the Russians), but nothing has been fixed."—AP.

Peking arms spending has fallen by a quarter

From Patricia Brogan
Washington, July 17

A report published by Congress yesterday says there has been a 25 per cent decline in China's spending on armaments since 1971. The report concludes that China believes its growing nuclear arsenal will protect it against the Americans and Russians and that further expenditure on conventional weapons would be a waste.

The 750-page book was prepared for the joint congressional economic committee, whose chairman is Senator Hubert Humphrey. It concerns itself with various aspects of the Chinese economy, concluding that China will become a major oil exporter by the end of the decade; that industrial expansion will continue at an annual rate of between 8 and 10 per cent, and that China will be able to feed itself, though with difficulty, by 1980.

On military expenditure, the report says: "Since 1971, military procurement has fallen substantially. This drop has extended through 1974 and apparently is continuing in the first quarter of 1975.

"Production and procurement of military hardware in 1972-74 has been about 25 per cent lower than in the peak period of 1970-71, much of the decline reflects a sharp curtailment of acquisitions of aircraft, but other weapons productions programmes have also slowed down.

"The broad scope and long duration of the decline suggests that it is not simply the consequence of a coincidental cutback in several weapons programmes. it is rather the result of some general cause *or causes*".

The report mentions the disfavour into which the Chinese Army fell after the attempted coup by Mr Lin Piao in 1971, but attributes more importance to the realization "military programmes were pre-empting an exhorbitant amount of resources without significantly improving the country's military posture".

The report states that by 1980 China should be producing *200 million tons of crude oil* annually, of which 50 million might be exported, and that by 1978 or 1979 nitrogen fertilizer plants bought from abroad will have doubled its nitrogen fertilizer production to eight million tons a year.

Mrs Gandhi succeeds in cutting prices, checking corruption and making civil servants prompt

Emergency helps to tame India's 'babu'

From Peter Hazelhurst
Delhi, July 17

Although it might be difficult to digest, many Indians who have lived for nearly three decades under parliamentary democracy are beginning to concede that the advent of authoritarian rule has brought an unprecedented measure of order to the country.

Following the classic pattern of the initial phase of a coup, trains are running on time, corrupt officials are being dismissed, government servants are reporting on time for duty, and prices of essential commodities have tumbled as police continue to round up hundreds of smugglers and hoarders.

But perhaps the most amazing aspect of the emergency has been the taming of the *babu* —India's hundreds of thousands of indifferent government clerks who for nearly three decades have defied all attempts to force them to report on time for duty.

For nearly 30 years since independence Delhi has become accustomed to the sight of thousands of *babu* and civil servants cycling to work up to 60 minutes after the beginning of office hours.

It was more usual than not to find government offices empty at 11 am while civil servants could be seen casually parking their cycles, sipping tea or slipping into a colleague's office to pass the time of day.

Remonstrations would lead to retaliatory strikes and the Government was forced to pay out fortunes in overtime to offset the loss of millions of man-hours squandered during duty times.

It was often said that the bureaucrats ruled India but the *babu* ruled the seat of power in Delhi.

Fundamental rights had to be suspended to bring the *babu* to work on time. And the fear of the Government's new stringent emergency laws has certainly changed the face of Delhi's administrative halls overnight.

Hitherto unpunctual clerks and officials are crowding into offices on time, the rate of absenteeism has dropped so sharply that in many buildings there are not enough seats and desks to accommodate what has now developed into a superfluous work force.

Overtime has been stopped and ministers who once devoted their time to political intrigues are out cracking the whip of discipline.

Perhaps the most enthusiastic disciplinarian in Delhi today is Mr Muhammad Shafi Qureshi, the Minister of State for Railways, who has led lightning raids on offices of his ministry during the past few weeks to suspend workers and ambush trains carrying ticketless commuters.

An initial raid on the Northern Railway headquarters at Baroda House in Delhi shortly after the official duty hours began at 10 am proved highly embarrassing.

As the minister and his party of officials closed the doors to latecomers and inspected the building they discovered that only 2,000 of the 3,500 staff members were at their desks. As a result the general manager of the Northern Railway system was forced to resign. Similar raids on the offices of other ministries have brought *babu* teeming into their offices before duty hours. Dismissals are instant and the once-powerful unions have been rendered ineffective under the emergency.

After revealing that junior clerks have been earning up to four times their salary in overtime, Mr C. Subramaniam, the Finance Minister, declared the other day that the philosophy of government servants appeared to be: "My basic salary is for the job I hold and overtime pay is for the work I do."

In his most spectacular venture to trap the ticketless travellers, Mr Qureshi and a squad of 150 railway police positioned themselves behind trees near the rail route to Ghaziabad in Uttar Pradesh and forced a train to stop beside a stretch of stagnant water.

Hundreds of luckless commuters tumbled from the roofs of coaches, losing their shoes and falling into the water to escape the new zealous Minister for Railways. Of the 265 arrested without tickets, 100 were travelling on the roof.

At the same time hundreds of smugglers and black-marketeers have been arrested and, *much to the delight of the average* housewife prices of essential commodities have fallen. Scores of corrupt officials have been retired and the Government has used its arbitrary powers to warn many of the country's leading gangsters that their property will be confiscated unless they surrender.

To the surprise of the left wing, Mrs Gandhi has imposed a moratorium on strikes, and the labour unrest which has retarded production for three decades has disappeared.

As one worried democrat in the Opposition summed up: "All new brooms sweep clean, but if she keeps this up we might have a dictatorship by popular will."

Arrests precede Delhi Parliament session

From Our Own Correspondent
Delhi, July 17

In contrast to the Indian Government's claim that it had been threatened by a "right-wing reactionary plot", the police continued to detain liberals, socialists and Marxists during the past week after Mrs Gandhi, the Prime Minister, announced that a special session of Parliament would be convened next week to endorse or disapprove of the state of emergency.

With most of the more prominent or more vociferous of Mrs Gandhi's critics in Parliament already under arrest, officials have made it clear that detainees will not be released to take part in the debate.

This became abundantly clear yesterday when Mr Murahari, the chairman of the Rajya Sabha (Upper *House*) told journalists in Visakhapatnam that arrested members of Parliament could not claim privileges to attend the proceedings. A verbatim report of the proceedings would be recorded but journalists would have to submit their reports to the censor.

Indian journalists have been told that they can publish the speeches of government ministers only. The names of government backbenchers and members of the Opposition can be published but their speeches will be deleted by censors, officials have announced.

Reliable sources claim that Mr Namboodripad, the former Marxist Chief Minister of the state of Kerala, and Mr A. K. Gopalan, the veteran Marxist leader, have been detained.

The state is at present ruled by a coalition Government of pro-Soviet Communists and members of the Congress Party. Marxists from Kerala claimed in Delhi today that the Communist Party (Marxist), had expected to sweep the polls in September when the state was due to elect its new Government. They said that the ruling Congress Party at the centre had decided to eliminate the Marxist leadership and suspend the election for one year under the emergency powers.

Other sources claim that Mr Rabi Ray, the veteran liberal and socialist in Parliament, was arrested this week.

Unconfirmed reports suggest that a large group of students and student leaders were arrested in Delhi earlier this week just before universities in the capital were due to open yesterday.

However, the police have thrown a tight security curtain round the identity and the number of persons under arrest. In some cases missing politicians and socialists have gone underground.

The number of arrests given by the underground press ranges between 5,000 and 20,000. The Government claims that a small number of politicians have been arrested and the majority of the detainees belong to extremist *Hindu and Muslim nationalist* associations which were banned two weeks ago.

A large number of pro-Maoist Naxalites are also being held in detention centres throughout the country, a Government official declared.

The police also claimed today that they had found another cache of spears and swords when they raided the offices of the militant organization Hindu Rastriya Sevak Sangh which was banned last week.

Dispute over sending men into space is revived

From Pearce Wright
Science Editor
Houston, July 17

The dispute over the value of manned space flights has been stirred up again by the Apollo-Soyuz mission.

Although the United States space agency insists that this is the cheapest of the series of flights conducted with its three-man Apollo capsule, the fact remains that for a fraction of the money an enormous research programme could have been undertaken with scientific, communications and other types of unmanned vehicle.

To justify the key role of the man in space, both Russian and American spokesmen at the control centre here point to the way the cosmonauts carried out repairs to the Soyuz television system and the Americans to their jammed docking mechanism. However, this flight has not been a happy experience for some research workers who entrusted their experiments to the crews.

Only a small part of the scientific programme of work has been carried out so far: and much of that appears to have been done ineptly.

This journey was never conceived in the research laboratory. Nevertheless, experimental apparatus worth more than £8m for conducting 28 separate investigations is on board the Apollo craft alone. They are divided into three categories—life sciences, space sciences and general applications.

The first group includes, among many others, studies of the effects of particles of radiation on living cells and attempts to extract a pure enzyme from special tissue cultures which cannot be prepared under conditions on the ground.

Various astronomy projects come in the second category. Particular attention is being given to observation of objects emitting ultra-violet radiation, which cannot penetrate the upper layers of the atmosphere.

Among the application studies is apparatus for analysing the aerosol content of the atmosphere. Elaborate plans have been prepared to make similar measurements by high flying balloons and aircraft at the same time as the astronauts are making them in orbit.

As a further part of the same experiment laser devices on the ground are being used to send pulses of light into the atmosphere, some of which, are reflected back according to the types of aerosols in the atmosphere. This elaborate process is necessary to establish the validity of the measurements being made.

Confidence in the ability of astronauts to exercise adequate care in this type of work has scarcely been justified by events. This morning one of the ground controllers gave a truncated version of an exchange of conversation with Brigadier-General Thomas Stafford, the Apollo commander, when the astronauts started the first of the life science projects.

General Stafford was conducting an experiment with a sample stored at very low temperature in a thermos flask. According to Mr Peter Frank, the flight director, the astronauts could not get the cap off and two of them began tugging at it.

Mr Frank said: "I don't know if they tugged too hard, but the little sample came scooting out and shot across the spacecraft. It was some biological material."

Criticism of air crash crew for 'poor discipline'

Washington, July 17.—Poor flight deck discipline and a lax atmosphere probably caused the crash of an Eastern Airlines DC9, which killed 72 people in North Carolina last September, according to an official report released today.

The report said that warning of the aircraft's low altitude went unheeded amid the chatter, and it disclosed that the flight deck voice recorder showed that the captain, after acknowledging clearance to land, told the co-pilot: "Yeah all we gor to do is find the airport."

Seconds later, the aircraft touched trees and plunged to the ground, killing 72 of the 82 aboard, said the report of the National Transportation Safety Board.

The probable cause of the crash was "the flight crew's lack of altitude awareness at critical points during the approach, due to poor cockpit discipline in that the crew did not follow prescribed procedures," it added.—Reuter.

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CIA 'waged four-year war against Cuba'

From Nicholas Fraser,
New York, July 17

An article in *Harper's* magazine today claims that between 1960 and 1964, the Central Intelligence Agency with President Kennedy's explicit approval, conducted a highly organized "secret war" against Dr Castro, Prime Minister of Cuba, using economic sabotage, commando raids and assassination squads.

The article, the result of a year's investigation by its two authors, Taylor Branch and George Crile, claims that the "war" was initiated as a reprisal for the humiliation which the United States Government suffered as a result of the Bay of Pigs fiasco.

The authors quote Mr Ray Cline, then deputy director of the CIA, as saying: "Both Jack and Bobby were deeply ashamed after the Bay of Pigs, and they became quite obsessed with the problem of Cuba. They were a couple of Irishmen who had muffed it, and they vented their wrath on Castro for the next two years."

The attempts to sabotage the Cuban economy were coordinated through the CIA's worldwide network. According to a CIA official who supervized the operations, chemicals were poured into the lubricating systems of diesel trucks bound for Cuba, to ensure that they wore out quickly.

Once the CIA was even able to induce a German manufacturer to produce a special shipment of ball bearings which were "off centre". "We were sabotaging the Leyland buses going from England to Cuba", the CIA official said.

The "war" against Cuba was supervized from a special CIA office in Miami, with 300 workers and a budget of more than $550m (about £220m). CIA agents never undertook the missions themselves, but organized groups of Cuban exiles to do the work for them.

The authors claim that the atmosphere of spontaneity surrounding the attacks, on Cuban mines, oil refineries and sugar mills was carefully "orchestrated" by the CIA.

The Kennedy Administration had learnt its lesson from the Bay of Pigs, they allege and that clandestine operations should never expose American leaders to the risk of spectacular failure.

The authors are sceptical, however, about assertions recently made that senior Kennedy Administration officials were closely involved in the planning of assassination attempts. They do, however, quote Mr Richard Goodwin, then a Kennedy aide, as saying that Dr Castro's assassination was once advocated by Mr Robert McNamara, the Secretary of Defence.

They also suggest that such attitudes arose, if only indirectly, from Mr Robert Kennedy's determination to redress the humiliation of the Bay of Pigs. "It would have been like Henry II asking rhetorically, 'Who will free me of this turbulent priest?' and then the zealots going out and doing it", Mr Goodwin said.



Fire-bombs burst in front of Prince Akihito and his wife at an Okinawa war memorial.

Japanese Crown Prince escapes bomb attack

Naha, Okinawa, July 17.—Crown Prince Akihito, of Japan, escaped unhurt from a petrol bomb attack in Okinawa today.

The Prince and his wife, Princess Michiko, were paying homage at a war memorial near Naha when two young men hurled petrol bombs at them, slightly injuring an aide, the police said. The men were arrested immediately.

The visit by the royal couple to attend the opening of the 1975 International Ocean Exposition in Okinawa has set off violent protests by extreme left-wing groups. The groups have accused the imperial family of responsibility for wartime suffering in Okinawa, which was the scene of one of the bloodiest battles of the Second World War, and of discriminatory rule over the island.

There was also a clash at *Shimbashi station in Tokyo* when about 100 left-wing extremists, wearing crash helmets, stormed a train carrying about 350 members of a rival left-wing faction. The police said one person was killed and 23 injured. There were 320 arrests.

The two groups met accidentally at the station after attending separate protest rallies against the Crown Prince's visit to Okinawa, the police said.

The Okinawa memorial is dedicated to a unit of 188 nurses, many of whom killed themselves as American troops *closed in during the island* battle.

The Prince's two attackers jumped out of an underground tomb surrounded by trees to hurl their bombs.

They wore white helmets reading "Okinawa Liberation League," a group that opposes what it calls mainland manipulation of the island and the United States military presence there.

After they threw the bombs they tossed firecrackers. Security men piled on them, handcuffed them and carried them away by their hands and feet.

The police said about 40,000 people rallied in protest against the royal visit, the first since the Second World War, but another 40,000 turned out to cheer the procession, waving flags.—Reuter and AP.

Revolt against 'corruption' threatens leader of Sabah

From Hugh Mabbett
Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, July 17

A party revolt seems to be growing against Tun Mustapha bin Dato Harun, Sabah's Chief Minister, presenting him with his most serious challenge in almost 10 years of increasingly autocratic rule.

Nerves are tense throughout the state, however, as the revolt has threatened Sabah's precarious racial and religious balance. Support for Tun Mustapha and his heavily Islamic policies is strongest among the Muslims, who make up a quarter of the state's 700,000 people.

The Tun arrived today at Penang, in West Malaysia, from a visit to London. He is meeting a group of leaders of his party, the United Sabah National Organization (USNO). It is not known when he will return to Sabah.

The revolt from USNO, which has a virtual monopoly on political power in the state, was announced at a press conference, heavily guarded by police. This was remarkable in itself as the police have been more likely to arrest critics of Tun Mustapha or the state Government than to protect them.

The press conference took place almost at the same time as Sabah's police commissioner for the past three years left the state and a new officer took over. Great significance is read into this, as evidence of federal support for the rebels, and into an announcement that Tun Mustapha no longer holds the power, delegated to him three years ago, to order arrests.

Informed sources said today that Tun Mustapha had used his power to arrest "scores" of people but that all had now been released. The rebels have formed a new party named the Sabah People's Union (Berjaya), headed by Datuk Harris Salleh, a leading businessman and a former USNO minister. He said yesterday the party had been formed to rid Sabah of mismanagement, corruption and dictatorship.

The statement also accused the Tun of nearly bankrupting Sabah, of treating the state as his personal property, and of spending most of his time in Europe, "where he owns property valued at millions of pounds".

He was also accused of ordering two Boeing 707s. These were being turned into "two of the most luxurious aircraft the world has ever seen, at colossal cost", to allow him to "gallivant around the world with his women friends".

Tun Mustapha's daily paper said that allegations against "our beloved leader and father of independent Sabah", were blatant, irresponsible and sheer concoctions.

Romanian plea for flood aid

By Richard Davy

Romania is appealing for international aid in coping with the effects of recent floods, mainly in the Danube basin. A number of countries have been approached, including Britain. The United Nations has sent officials to assess the damage and has already made available about £23m for immediate relief.

The Romanian Government says the damage is very severe. It reports that about 200 industrial enterprises have been affected seriously and that more than two million acres of land, most of it agricultural, have been damaged at the beginning of the harvest season.

Many warehouses holding raw materials, fuel and finished goods have been destroyed. Bridges, railways, roads and power lines have been swept away, damaging communications.

Whole villages are said to have been swept away and several dozen people are dead or missing.

ANC men arrested in Rhodesia

Salisbury, July 17.—Four provincial officials of the African National Council have been arrested and accused of recruiting guerrillas as fears heighten that Rhodesia's guerrilla war may be intensified.

The four unnamed men, all from south-eastern Victoria province, near the Mozambique border, will appear in court soon, the Ministry of Law and Order announced today.

The police are investigating the disappearance of an undisclosed number of senior African school pupils from areas along the Mozambique border. They are believed to have crossed into Mozambique.

Late last week, 18 senior pupils, six of them girls, disappeared from Mutambara mission school.

The disappearance of pupils along the eastern border and from schools in the north-east is believed in some quarters here to be part of a recruiting campaign by guerrillas outside the country.

Miners' strike averted in South Africa

From Our Own Correspondent
Johannesburg, July 17

A threatened strike by South Africa's 18,000 gold and coal miners has been averted after direct intervention by the Government.

A joint statement issued here by the Chamber of Mines and the Mineworkers' Union said that informal talks initiated by Dr Koornhof, the Minister of Mines, had resulted in the deadlock over the miners' demands for a five-day week being resolved.

The employers will introduce a five-day week as soon as the mines have had a reasonable opportunity to prepare for it.

African leaders arrive for Kampala talks

From Our Correspondent
Nairobi, July 17

Many delegations have already arrived in Kampala for tomorrow's opening of the meeting of African foreign ministers, which precedes the annual summit of the Organization of African Unity beginning on July 28.

Botswana is the only country to announce that it will not attend the Kampala meetings. All other independent African states are expected to be represented in the capital by tomorrow.

Political and economic issues are on the agenda for the ministerial meeting.

Chinese queue to buy manuals on sex

From David Bonavia
Peking, July 17

New and revised mass editions of handbooks on sexual problems are selling briskly at Peking's main bookshop.

Young people, including soldiers in uniform, have been queuing to buy a manual on the problems of adolescence, consisting mostly of popular medical advice and political exhortation.

The manual does not discuss the question of premarital intercourse as this is regarded as not permissible in China. However it condemns masturbation by both men and women and says that in the case of the man it may lead to debility, loss of memory and impotence.

Other books in demand are a volume of questions and answers on contraception for married people, and an illustrated handbook on techniques of abortion, sterilization and vasectomy.

Intra-uterine devices are recommended as generally the best form of contraception.

Oral contraceptives are also praised and the manual asserts that they have no serious ill effects on a woman's health. It concedes that some women may suffer side effects such as nausea or bleeding.

Students called to the Bar in Trinity term

The following students of the Inns of Court have been called to the Bar in Trinity term:

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G. E. O. Nelson-Williams, Freetown; Emelia, K. Onoku Kumas; A. M. Andrew, Grenada; D. Adimoolah, Willesden; B. Singh, MA (Punjab); A. F. M. Mazibor Rahman, Khondker, BComm, LLB (Dacca); N. D. Price, Cranleigh; G. C. Enumah, Nigeria; Eow Wan Cheong, Singapore; M. Shamin, BA, LLB (Dacca); Tay Ann Tong, Kuala Lumpur; S. J. Harrington, LLB (Wales); S. M. Ariff bin Tengku Mohd Massum, Kota Sharu; Mrs E. A. Taylor, BSc (Econ) (Lond); A. Ahmad, LLB (Karachi); B.A. (Punjab); A. Aminuddin bin Ahmad Perlis; S. P. Parsad, Trinidad.

N. B. Easterman, LLB (Lond); P. D. Sanan, BA (Punjab); R. Leong Wai Man, Hongkong; R. R. Delmenico, Victoria, Australia; A. B. M. K. Hasnie, LLB (Dacca); C. C. Gayle, BSc (Econ) (UWI); W. Lau Kung Hui, LLM (Lond); Z. R. Khan, BA (Econ), LLB (Dacca); S. Montesharai Sharal, BSc, MSc (Econ) (Seton); R. M. Russell, BA (Keele); C. Y. Tin, BA (Malaya); J. J. Gomez, Selangor; Khaw Chay Tee, LLB (Seton); I. D. Baxter, BA (Oxon); D. Ting Tiong Mee, LLB (Lond); D. S. Gill, LLB (Lond); Vivien M. Tindall, BSc (Econ) (Lond); Raja Badrul bin Raja Abu Bassan Sharil, LLB (Wales).

C. T. Ostad, MA (Oxon) and MPhil (Lond); Mrs R. Harrison, BA (Oxon); A. J. Walker, BA (Cantab); R. G. Wood, BA (Cantab), BCL (Oxon); D. J. Applegarth, West Boldon; P. H. Dean, BA (Cantab); Mrs M. E. Smith, BSoc Stud (Queens); Penelope J. Watkins, BA (Oxon); C. Finch, LLB (Nott); Mrs J. A. Wickremasinghe, BA (Ceylon); D. J. Detheridge, BA (Oxon); Mr Singh, Kuala Lumpur; Law Tin Ming, Kowloon; D. Burman, Mauritius; C. A. Sakol, BA (Cantab); M. R. Patel, BEng (Chem) (McMaster); S. Brar, LLB (Punjab); M. Mehlar, MA (Punjab).

R. G. B. McCombe, BA (Cantab); S. L. Isaacs, BA (Cantab); P. M. White, BA (Cantab); S. H. J. Metcalf, BA (Phil); St Vincent Penn; P. St G. Higginson, BA (Kingston); W. M. Hollis, LLB (Bristol); R. H. Lobasky, Nassau; Cornwall, BA (Oxon); C. A. Craig, BA (Sussex); N. A. L. Davis, BA (Oxon); M. Kron, BA (Oxon); P. H. Morgan, BA (Cantab); R. M. Lamb, BA (Manc); P. W. Smith, BA (Cantab); M. J. Redman, BA (Oxon); R. G. Rotewall, LLB (Hongkong); R. D. Reid, LLB (Lond); Sarah E. Lockah, BA (CNAA).

D. C. Bennett, LLB (Liverpool); K. M. C. Lowdon, BA (Cantab); G. Warr, BA (Oxon); J. K. Tencon; BA (Oxon); R. L. Fookes, BA (Oxon); A. B. Lewis-Gray, BSc (Nott); Margaret J. Hodgson, LLB (Warwick); M. B. Jones, BA (Oxon); R. M. Horner, LLB (Bristol); P. D. Barry, LLB (N'Castle); P. C. Yang, LLB (Cantab); C. L. Baillieu, BA (Cantab); D. M. P. Wachtel, BA (Cantab); P. McDonald, LLB (Liverpool); Lindsay G. Huckle, BA (Cantab); K. A. Kumar, LLB (Lond); T. A. Bushe, LLB (Lond); Lynn C. Warner, BA (Cantab); W. D. W. Dennis, BA (Cantab); H. K. Rudhrani, LLB (Lond); C. A. Campbell, BA Econ (Dunelm); and LLB (Lond); Gwendolyn O. Ogunro, LLB (Lond); A. E. Standage, LLB (Sheff); D. C. Burgess, LLB (Lond); S. Bignell, LLB (Manc); J. B. Hoggan, BA (Dunn); O. V. Robbin-Mason, LLB (Lond); E. A. Lamb, LLB (Liverpool); Margaret A. D. Blackburn, LLB (Lond); C. L. N. Jackson, LLB (Lond); D. R. Lord, LLB (Lond); Pang Kok Foo, LLB (Lond); Tay San Lee, LLB (Lond); T. C. Smyth, BA, LLB (NUI).

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Will a child really benefit from having his own lawyer?

Maria Colwell might have been alive today, and living happily with her uncle and aunt, had there been someone in the juvenile court to argue the case against her returning to her mother and to the stepfather who later killed her. Hence the proposal in the Children Bill, now before Parliament, that children should have separate representation by lawyers or social workers whenever their interests require protection.

Obviously, in the Colwell case Maria should have been protected against the magistrates' court reaching a decision which was to have disastrous consequences for her. Equally, in cases where divorced or separated husbands and wives are fighting over the custody of their children, there should be someone around to make sure that the children are not crushed between their battling parents.

Of course, one cannot stop people like Maria Colwell's mother wanting their children to be returned to them, nor can one stop hostile husbands and wives treating their children as weapons of matrimonial warfare. What one can do, however, is to operate a legal system equipped to protect children and to deal compassionately with their problems.

Too often our legal system fails to meet the need

Too often our present legal system fails to meet these needs, but this failure has nothing to do with the lack of lawyers to represent the children's interests in the courtroom. Rather, its causes are twofold. First there is the traditional adversary system, which turns every court case into something resembling a boxing match, with victory going to the contestant who scores the most points. In this process, judges and magistrates play the role of referees, impassively sitting on their raised platforms while the two combatants and their legal representatives present their evidence and debate the issues. Such a role may be appropriate for deciding whether Mrs Brown's new washing machine was faulty or whether Mr Jones did or did not give a hand signal before he turned right and collided with Mr Smith's car, but applied to cases involving children, it leaves far too much to chance.

Asked to choose betwen the claims of one parent and another to the custody of their children, how can the aloof arbitrator be sure that all the facts concerning the child have been presented to him? How can he tell to what extent they have been distorted to promote the case of either party? How does he find out how the child feels about the situation? How can he be sure that the child's views are not the result of "brain-washing" by either of the parents?

The classic adversary system offers children about as much protection as a nylon shirt in a snowstorm, and faced with questions such as these, judges and magistrates often call for social enquiry reports to be prepared by social workers or probation officers to provide them with impartial information about the child. If appropriate, a judge may also ask to see privately in his chambers any child who is the subject of a dispute in order to find out which parent the child would prefer to live with. Indeed, in divorce proceedings the judge actually has a duty to step outside his passive referee's role and satisfy himself that the arrangements for the children of the family are satisfactory.

So, like optical illusions which alter their shapes as you stare at them, cases involving children, though having the external appearance of adversary processes with parent fighting parent or parent fighting local authority, social welfare departments, when examined more closely, appear to resemble an inquisitorial or investigational process in which the court is actively involved in seeking out the facts of each case.

Now optical illusions can be very confusing, because you cannot pin down precisely the nature of the shape you are looking at. From the point of view of those administering justice, the adversary-investigational illusion is also a very useful one to have around, for whenever anyone dares to criticize the courts for not obtaining all the facts about a child, or not doing its best to protect children's interests, he can simply be told to blink his eyes a few times and he will see the adversary system under which the court's only function is to resolve conflicts by passing judgment; it is neither a fact-finding nor a child-protecting institution.

This is particularly convenient, because it means that any failings in the system can be blamed on parents, local authorities, social workers, or their legal representatives—in fact on anyone except the court itself. Thus the magistrates who allowed Caroline Desremault to be whisked out of the country were not responsible, since her mother's solicitor, so they claimed, failed to make a request that the order for Caroline to be handed over to her father should be stayed pending appeal. The judge who ordered his bailiff to seize the Stone children out of their mother's care and hand them over to their father, regardless of the traumatic effect of such an uprooting, had no alternative faced with such a stubborn mother as Mrs Stone.

In both these cases the court did not even consider a social inquiry report necessary. In the tragic Maria Colwell decision, it was not up to the juvenile court magistrates (heaven forbid!) to find out for themselves that Maria's stepfather was a disturbed, unstable person, but rather the local authority was to blame for not opposing the revocation of the Care Order.

What has evolved, then, in our courts is a hybrid system of justice, an adversary-investigational monster that is never quite one thing nor the other and which from time to time spawns out the most hideous decisions; then, when cornered, changes its shape and so escapes all responsibility.

The second cause of the court's failure to meet children's needs can be described broadly as a lack of expertise among the judiciary. Despite large gaps in their knowledge, it is true to say that psychologists today have a better idea than ever before of the factors that influence children's development.

They know, for example, that the attachment of young children to particular adults takes place in the very early years of a child's life and that the absence of a stable adult figure during these years may diminish that child's ability to form stable, lasting relationships in later life. They know also that conflict and disharmony between its parents is generally likely to be far more damaging to a child's personality than separation from one or other of its parents.

Among the judiciary and members of the legal profession, however, there appears to be a lamentable lack of interest in the body of knowledge at present being compiled by the psychologists and child psychiatrists. Time-honoured myths still abound. A bad home is better than a good institution; a mother gives her child something no one else can give; an indifferent mother is often better than anyone else.

Judges, as everyone knows, are appointed from among senior barristers and occasionally solicitors. The training for both branches of the legal profession, far from including any courses on the principles of child welfare, is concerned strictly, almost obsessionally, with the acquisition of a detailed knowledge of the law.

Magistrates in juvenile courts are appointed nominally from "justices specially qualified for dealing with juvenile cases", which in effect means any magistrates who show an interest in this type of work and are prepared to undergo a short training course. Worse still, magistrates in the domestic courts, where difficult custody cases are often decided, have no special qualifications and receive no special training. The same bench that in the morning deals with speeding and shoplifting cases, may in the afternoon be resolving delicate custody issues involving young children, and, if the draftsmen of the Children Bill have their way, these same magistrates will in future also have power to determine whether or not a child should be adopted.

Experts may not be called upon by the court

Clearly, even if it were permissible for the judiciary to step out of its referee's role and ask the questions in children's cases, many of them simply would not know what questions to ask. This means that the expertise has to come from the social workers and probation officers who prepare reports for magistrates and judges.

But these experts have to wait until they are called upon by the court, which may never happen (as in the Desremault and Stone cases). Furthermore, probation and social work services are notoriously understaffed and overloaded, so that court reports often have to take second place to pressing case-work problems. Thus long delays occur and judges and magistrates, in the interests of expediency, attempted to cut out reports altogether, preferring to rely on their own fallible common sense.

On top of all this the "experts", when called upon to prepare court reports, often find themselves simultaneously playing a number of different roles. Not only must they collect the facts, but they must also decide which facts are and which are not relevant; they have to ask the questions as well as answering them. Moreover, they must appear impartial and yet the court expects them to make up for its lack of expertise by making recommendations as to who should have custody or care of the child.

Care proceedings may present the social worker with an even more fundamental conflict of roles. Here, the person preparing reports for the court may well be the social worker who has been working within the family and may well have to continue working with them after the court hearing. She may therefore be reluctant to put any facts or opinions into her report which might jeopardize the relationship she has built up with the child or either of its parents, however relevant these facts or opinions might be to the child's interests.

Into this confusion has stepped first Dr David Owen, Labour MP for Plymouth, Devonport, and now th House of Lords both brandishing the sword of child advocacy. The principle behind the proposal appears to be that the more lawyers you can fit into a court room, the higher the quality of justice and the greater the protection offered to children. Ask what the lawyers are actually going to do, and the weakness of the proposal becomes all too apparent.

Are they going to treat the child like any other client, taking instructions from them and putting his case to the court? If so, what do they do if the child is too young to give instructions? Few lawyers have the necessary knowledge of child welfare to make an expert assessment of what course of action would be in the child's best interest.

Then again, what happens if it becomes apparent that one of the parents has set the child against the other? Should the child's advocate accept the instructions that the child gives him, regardless of that child's long-term interests, or should he disregard the child's instructions and argue in court for the outcome that he considers to be the best for the child's welfare?

The alternative solution is for the court to appoint an independent social worker a guardian *ad litem* to determine what is best for the child. Not being trained as a court advocate, this social worker would probably wish to instruct a solicitor, who in turn would brief a barrister to represent the social worker in court. The possible combinations and permutations of social workers, solicitors and barristers are no doubt fascinating to work out and should make for stimulating parliamentary debate. But it will be a debate on an issue which is largely irrelevant to the needs of children in the courts, for the vital question that both Dr Owen and the Lords have failed to ask is, what is the child advocate supposed to be protecting the children against.

Bill distracts attention from much-needed reforms

They have found a sword but failed to recognize the monster—the monster is, of course, that hybrid adversary-investigational creature mentioned earlier. It is aided and abetted by the judiciary bird, which is so ill-equipped that it can hardly flap its wings, let alone fly. What the Government is proposing to do is to bring in reinforcements to protect children from the worst excesses of these two creatures. Far from killing the monster, the introduction of child advocates will make it a gift of its favourite food and help it to grow larger and even more ugly than it is at present.

The report on the Finer Committee on One Parent Families, published in July last year, shows that there is a pressing need to rebuild our Family Court system, which at present fails in many ways to meet the needs of the victims of broken marriages, be they adults or children.

By putting forward child advocates as the solution to the problem of protecting children in care proceedings, the Children Bill effectively distracts attention from the fundamental reforms that are needed in this area. Instead of engaging in what is essentially a shoring-up operation, parliamentary time would be far better spent in considering how to bring about immediately those changes vitally necessary for improving those courts which deal with cases affecting children. These should include:

- The special selection of magistrates who are to sit in the domestic courts;
- The introduction of compulsory, government-approved training courses for magistrates selected to sit in juvenile or domestic courts, such courses to include teaching of the principles of child welfare;
- The withdrawal from the domestic courts of their power to make custody and access orders in respect of young children until properly selected and trained panels of magistrates had been formed;
- The development of a court welfare service, separate from the probation service and local authority social services department, to include psychologists, child psychiatrists and social workers who could be called upon by the court whenever the need arose for expert investigation or expert opinion. Members of the court welfare service should be required to have a knowledge of the law relating to children and they should also received training in advocacy;
- A broader based education for trainee barristers and solicitors to include teaching in child welfare principles;
- A clear statutory statement that in any court case where a child's welfare is involved, the judge or magistrates should have a duty to ensure that the child's interests are adequately protected and that all available information concerning the child and adults responsible for his welfare is presented to the court.

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SPORT

Cricket

Greig bats on against Australians and no Sussex man blames him

By Alan Gibson

HOVE: Sussex, with four first innings wickets in hand, are one run behind the Australians.

Sussex made a resolute, indeed ultimately almost a triumphant, reply to the Australians' large score. They had saved the follow-on—not that it ever had looked very likely—soon after tea. Parsons scored his first century on as auspicious an occasion as he could choose. Greenidge worked hard to get the innings away. Greig looked relaxed, and in touch, though he had some early luck against Higgs, whom he twice mishit for four off consecutive balls. It was not, generally, a lucky day for the Australians, and their fielding was more fallible than usual.

The weather alternated between the sunny and the drizzly-dim, and so did the play. There were some rather boring periods before the fourth wicket partnership between Parsons and Greig took wing. In the morning, the Australians bowled their overs to their customary stately rhythm of Clancy of the Outswell, and there was obviously no occasion for Sussex heroics. In the early afternoon, there were times when only the chewing gum seemed to be moving.

Barclay was first out, finding the pace of Lillee perplexing. The score was 22. Lillee and Gilmour might have made a hole in the batting during the first hour, but the edges were frequently just missed by doubtful bats. Greenidge came to terms with himself with a cut and a hook off Gilmour, after which he and Parsons moved along less unsteadily until just after lunch, when Greenidge was out.

Parsons is a promising prospect in the Sussex landscape. He is a Scot, but played his early cricket in New Zealand. He is 25 years old, with Plunket Shield experience behind him. He has a sound method, and pluck. Most of his runs stemmed from the back foot—the square cut is a favourite—but he also showed he could use his feet when advancing to the spinners. He reached his hundred in 218 minutes, and then scored his last 40 in 25 minutes. He is fair, solidly built, with strong shoulders and arms, and looks as if he has the right temperament. He was at last well caught at slip, when the Australians took the new ball. The only other wicket to fall during the afternoon had been that of Graves, caught on the leg side off Lillee.

Now the interest centred on whether Greig would get a hundred. He played some uncertain strokes, some extravagant ones, some classical ones. An off drive against Gilmour will stay in my memory, even though I glimpsed little more than the outline of it through one of the spells of evening sea fret. He looks even more impressive as a tall, remote ghost. He lingered in the 90s, though, while Kirsten played a busy, confident innings at the other end.

Greig's century duly came, with a magisterial boundary, soon after 6 o'clock. Perhaps he might have declared after reaching his century, or even before, in the hope of a wicket or two—or to encourage a responding declaration tomorrow. He preferred to bat on for the lead, or as near as makes no difference, and no Sussex man blamed him.

The Australians, after their experience against Kent, are not likely to offer anything too generous in the way of declarations, quite apart from not wishing to offer unnecessary encouragement to the captain of England. It may be, of course, that Greig plans to win by an innings, but there is no sign of the pitch breaking.



Greig congratulates his partner, Parsons, on scoring a century

AUSTRALIANS: First Innings, 402 for 7 dec (G. S. Chappell 126, R. B. McCosker 111, G. J. Gilmour 103).

SUSSEX: First Innings

G. A. Greenidge, l-b-w, b Gilmour	44
J. R. T. Barclay, b Lillee	7
A. E. W. Parsons, c Chappell, b Hurst	141
P. J. Graves, c Edwards, b Lillee	19
*A. W. Greig, not out	129
P. Kirsten, c Robinson, b Hurst	31
J. J. Groome, c Walters, b Lillee	2
†A. W. Mansell, not out	0
Extras (b 12, l-b 9, w 1, n-b 6)	28
Total (6 wkts)	401

G. E. Waller, J. Spencer, C. P. Phillipson, to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—22, 2—103, 3—164, 4—293, 5—365, 6—401.

Umpires: A. E. G. Rhodes and T. W. Spencer.

Test match prices of admission raised

Cricket, like other sports and businesses, is facing the problem of increased costs, and prices at the five Test matches in England next year against West Indies have been increased by the Test and County Cricket Board, who met at Lord's yesterday. The minimum admission price at Tests will be raised from £1 to £1.50 and from 60p to 80p for under-16 spectators. Consideration is also to be given to higher Test charges being made in London compared with the provinces.

The board also agreed to rises for Gillette Cup matches as follows: First round, second round, and quarter-final round, from 60p to £1; semi-final round, from £1.50 to £2; final, from £3 to £3.50. Under-16 prices will be half in each case. Benson and Hedges Cup prices will be reviewed before next season.

Three one-day matches will be played between England and West Indies next season and Prudential have again been invited to sponsor them. The dates are Thursday, August 26, at Scarborough, Saturday, August 28, at Lord's and Monday, August 30, at Edgbaston. Admission will be £2. A Test trial will be played next year at Bristol on May 26, 27 and 28.

The board expressed themselves strongly in favour of under-25 tours to help develop younger players. But no tour has been arranged for next winter. Ways and means of financing such tours, including the possibility of sponsorship, are being examined.

Changes in the John Player League are possible. The board examined a request from the sponsors for some sort of a finals day and also went into the question of removing the restriction on a bowler's run, with half an hour more playing time to compensate. No decisions were made.

The board will decide at their next meeting on a successor as chairman to Cecil Paris, who takes over as MCC president on October 1. From then until the board meeting on November 26 and 27 Edmund King, chairman of the financial and general purposes committee, will be acting chairman.

Athletics

The best kind of get well soon message for Marea Hartman

By Neil Allen
Athletics Correspondent

The women's AAA championships at Crystal Palace today (4.30 pm) and tomorrow (1.0) could be the best kind of "get well soon" message to Marea Hartman, secretary of the association and national team manager, who has only just come out of hospital, if the British competitors achieve a far higher standard than so far this season.

Yesterday Miss Hartman was briefly at her desk, when perhaps she might have been convalescing more restfully, to tell me: "Our girls have had plenty of hard European competition so far this season, including the match in Dresden against East Germany and the semi-final of the European women's cup in Sofia. This weekend it's a good thing for them to concentrate, instead, on being the best in Britain with some friendly rivalry from Commonwealth countries in some events. After this we can start thinking about our fourth appearance in a European Cup final in Nice next month."

Four of Britain's best all-round athletes, Susan Longden (nee Wright), Ann Wilson, Susan Mapstone and Pat McNab, will not be at Crystal Palace. Instead they will form Britain's pentathlon team in Barcelona for the semi-final of the European Cup for "combined events" against East Germany, Spain, France, Switzerland and the Republic of Ireland. The best two teams will qualify for the final in Warsaw on September 6 and 7. Mrs McNab comes in as a replacement for the injured Hazel Oakes. The men's decathlon team of David Kidner, Christopher Youngs, Michael Corden and Angus McKenzie have much less chance of qualifying for

Just one year away from the opening of the Montreal Olympics, Britain's woman athletes hardly have the glitter of gold, or even silver about them. Only Andrea Lynch (100 and 200 metres) and Donna Murray (400 metres) are placed in the top eight of the world rankings so far this year and both of them were, in fact, beaten in Sofia last weekend. We desperately need a breakthrough to the top in the 100 metres hurdles and high jump though in both events, as in the javelin with Tessa Sanderson, the potential talent is probably there waiting to be tapped.

This weekend's championships have a strong Commonwealth entry with Denise Robertson, of Australia, strongest in the sprints. In the 1974 Commonwealth Games she took a full set of medals—bronze in the 100, silver over 200, and finally a gold in the 4 x 100 metres relay. Also from Australia, and already an impressive winner at Crystal Palace this summer, is Charlene Rendina, who was third in the Games 400 metres and winner of the 800 metres. Other Games overseas medal winners entered are Susan Haden, of New Zealand (third over 800), Gaye Dell, of Canada (second in the 100 metres hurdles), and Thelma Wright, of Canada (third at 1,500 metres).

Britain's fastest 1,500 metres runner this year, and second fastest to Lesley Kiernan over 800 metres, is Joan Allison. But yesterday she sadly told me that she would miss the championships because an injured Achilles' tendon made her unwilling to risk the strain of heat and final on successive days. "I have written to Marea explaining the situation", Mrs Allison added, "and can only hope that I'll still be considered for the Nice cup final which would only mean one race."

Below is a comparison, slightly unfair perhaps, between the best world and British performances in the championships events so far this year.

100 metres: 11.15sec (11.16); 200 metres: 22.4 (22.9); 400 metres: 50.53 (51.28); 800 metres: 2:00.1 (2:03.7); 1,500 metres: 4:06.5 (4:11.2); 3,000 metres: 8:46.6 (9:21.4); 100 metres hurdles: 12.6 (13.5); 400 metres hurdles: 57.3 (59.5); High jump: 6ft 3½in (6ft 10½in); Long jump: 22ft 4¼in (21ft 2in); Shot: 70ft 3½in (50ft 2in); Discus: 228ft 7in (185ft 6in); Javelin: 208ft 11in (177ft 11in). Pentathlon: 4,695 pts (4,196).

Golf

Croker and Daigle set early pace

Crans sur Sierre, July 17.—Peter Croker, of Australia, and William Daigle, of the United States, set the early pace, each with a round of 68 (four under par) in the £26,000 Swiss Open golf championship here.

Croker, aged 25, from Melbourne, twice took three putts to drop strokes in an outward total of 34 (two under par), but he had six birdies in his round and went close to another at the 18th.

Daigle, from California, making his first European appearance, also had six birdies, and holed putts of 30 yards at the 16th and 10 yards at the 18th.

Renato Campagnoli, of Italy, returned a 69 and his compatriot, Pietro Molteni, a 70.

Gary Player, of South Africa, the favourite for the first prize of £5,000, took six at the first hole, but had birdies at the next four to be one under par.

Hugh Baiocchi, also of South Africa, who won yesterday's American Express pro-am event here with a round of 64, slumped to an outward 40 today—nine strokes worse than his pro-am tally.

The early leaders were:

68: P. Croker (Australia); W. Daigle (US).
69: R. Campagnoli (Italy).
70: P. Molteni (Italy).
71: G. Kelley (US).
72: D. Vass (US); R. Fyfe (GB); M. Sanchez (Spain); J. Arr (US); B. Bannerman (GB).—Reuter.

Title assured for Glamorgan by thunderstorm

Glamorgan won the British women's county golf championship at Church Brampton, Northamptonshire, after thunderstorms and heavy rain prevented further play in the tournament after lunch yesterday.

The morning results were declared void and Glamorgan were judged winners because they had earlier had two clear victories over Surrey and Staffordshire. It is the first time Glamorgan have won the competition since it began in 1908.

Glamorgan 1, Staffordshire 2

(Glamorgan names first): Miss T. Perkins and Miss P. Light lost to Mrs A. Stant and Mrs B. Bargh at the 19th. Miss V. Rawlings and Mrs S. Webster lost to Mrs A. Booth and Miss J. Stant, one up. Miss K. Hawlings and Miss S. Roberts beat Miss M. Hood and Mrs K. Mansell, 5 and 4.

Surrey 3, Northumberland 0

(Surrey names first): Miss D. Strickland and Mrs D. Henson beat Mrs E. Elliott and Miss J. Lee-Smith, one up. Mrs P. Harvey and Miss M. Burton beat Mrs V. Stone and Mrs M. Pickard, 2 and 1. Mrs A. Archer and Miss W. Pitners beat Miss V. Gray and Mrs R. Windows, one up.

Motor racing

Half a second covers first eight cars

By John Blunsden

At the half way stage in practice for Saturday's British Grand Prix, sponsored by John Player, the stage has already been set for what promises to be one of the closest fought Grand Prix of the season. Half a second covers the fastest lap time set by the eight quickest cars in yesterday's two training periods at Silverstone.

There are two Ford-powered cars between Lauda's Ferrari and its customary pole position on the starting grid. With six different makes of car filling the first three rows of the grid (and should there be rain for the two remaining training sessions, the final line-up will already have been decided) there could scarcely be a better send off for Britain's premier motor race.

Sitting on pole position at present is Pace, a Brazilian driver whose Martini Brabham BT44B was timed yesterday afternoon at 1min 19.58sec for a lap of the revised 2.932 miles coudse. Brambilla was only a 20th of a second slower in his March 751 to displace Lauda from his place on the front row.

Joining the Ferrari driver on the second line is Pryce, from North Wales, whose last lap yesterday in his UOP Shadow-Ford, was timed at 1min 19.8sec. It was a 10th of a second faster than the world champion, Emerson Fittipaldi, who overcame an oversteering condition with his Texaco Marlboro McLaren to share the third row with Scheckter in the latest Elf Tyrrell 007.

The new S-bend at Woodcote Corner, which has reduced the speed of cars at this point from around 160 mph to close to 110 mph, seems to be working well. The Silverstone management are to be highly commended for having carried out this conversion, in the interests of spectator safety, with such speed. During yesterday's first training period, one or two drivers ran into trouble before they became used to the revised configuration, but there were no serious incidents.

By the end of the second session, it apeared that everyone was at home through what is still a spectacular viewing area for spectators. The final verdict on the revised curve must await Saturday's big race, but provided the Grand Prix drivers can resist the temptation to pass each other when in the S-bend during the crowded opening laps, all should be well.

Only 26 cars and drivers will be allowed to start the race, which means that four of those who practised yesterday will fail to secure a place in the line up. So far, the unfortunate quartet are Fushido (Maki), Wunderink (Ensign), Nicholson (Lyncar) and Lombardi (March). However, there are still two and a half hours' practice time available today in which they may be able to improve their positions at the expense of others.

James Hunt, who has been the thorn in the side of the Ferrari team for the past two races, could only manage the 12th fastest time in his Hesketh 308, which was suffering from an obscure understeering problem. But the day ended happily for the Dutch Grand Prix winner.

He returned to the team's headquarters at Easton Neston, Towcester, to find that his mechanics had put the finishing touches to his new car, the Hesketh C Type. It may well be put on public view at Silverstone today, although there is no question of the new car being raced this weekend.

Significantly lower than Hunt's current car, the new model is devoid of the high mounted air intake which is a characteristic of current formula one cars. Instead it has a streamlined engine cowl fitting tightly over the Ford DFV engine. Said to have between 10 and 20 per cent less frontal area, a lower centre of gravity and to weigh at least 60lb less, the new Hesketh should be appreciably quicker than the earlier car around slow and medium speed corners as well as faster in a straight line.

It is fitted with rubber suspension units, front and rear, and has side radiators flush with the bodywork. Hunt will test the car for the first time at Goodwood on Monday, and after further track and wind tunnel tests, it will be taken to the Nurburgring in two weeks' time for further tests during the official practice period for the German Grand Prix. The car's first appearance in a race may well be deferred until the Austrian Grand Prix on August 17.

Fastest practice times: 1, C. Pace (Martini Brabham-Ford), 1min 19.58sec, average speed 132.65 mph; 2, V. Brambilla (March-Ford), 1:19.63; 3, N. Lauda (Ferrari), 1:19.7; 4, T. Phyce (UOP Shadow-Ford), 1:19.8; 5, E. Fittipaldi (Texaco Marlborough McLaren-Ford), 1:19.9; 6, J. Scheckter (Elf Tyrrell-Ford), 1:19.96; 7, C. Reutemann (Martini Brabham-Ford), 1:19.97; 8, C. Regazzoni (Ferrari), 1:20.1; 9, J.-P. Jarier (UOP Shadow-Ford), 1:20.3; 10, J. Mass (Texaco Marlborough McLaren-Ford), 1:20.3.

Reward for cup teams who won well

By John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent

The draw for the quarter-final round of the Gillette Cup to be played on August 6 was made at Lord's yesterday. Leicestershire and Nottinghamshire, who both won well in the last round, are rewarded with just the sort of home ties they must have hoped for; Hampshire, however, and Middlesex, who also excelled themselves on Wednesday, are drawn away, against Lancashire and Worcestershire respectively.

Leicestershire, who have yet to win the Gillette Cup, should beat Gloucestershire. With the best part of three weeks in which to get the feel of the game again, Procter may be registering for Gloucestershire by then, though only as a batsman; in Sadiq and Zaheer they also have two fine one-day players. But Leicestershire, at Grace Road, are notoriously hard to beat.

Nottinghamshire against Derbyshire at Trent Bridge is much a Midland affair. Derbyshire reached the final in 1969; Nottinghamshire's best effort was to reach the semi-final round in the same year. Both sides are enjoying something of a revival at the moment, Derbyshire under a new captain, Taylor, and with Hendrick in great wicket-taking form, Nottinghamshire also under a new captain, Smedley, and with two new young men, Rice and Johnson, more than offsetting the loss of Sobers. Encouraged by beating Kent on Wednesday, and with ground advantage to help them, Nottinghamshire should win this, before their best crowd for many years.

Middlesex, like Hampshire, were due for better luck than they have had in the draw. After winning at Edgbaston in the semi-final round of the Benson and Hedges and the last round of the Gillette, Middlesex deserved it. On their present form, though, they can go to Worcestershire and win. As Leicestershire may discover tomorrow, in the final of the Benson and Hedges, Middlesex are suddenly believing in themselves. Having won on Wednesday without Gomes they are approaching the unaccustomed position of having to leave out a good player rather than bring in someone who is not quite up to it. Middlesex must have a real chance against Worcestershire in an open match.

Topping the bill is Lancashire against Hampshire at Old Trafford. Hampshire are one of the four sides still in the competition never to have reached the final. With Richards, Roberts and Greenidge in their prime they soon must. Yet, somehow, they have a nasty way of slipping up. With the championship in their grasp last year they were deprived of it. In the semi-final round of the Benson and Hedges the other day they were pipped by Leicestershire. Now they have gone and drawn Lancashire, arguably the best one-day side in the country. Between Lancashire at Old Trafford, Kent at Canterbury, and Leicestershire at Grace Road there is not much to choose, as one-day winners, with Hampshire at Southampton in the same bracket.

With no sort of a record for getting these things right, I take Lancashire, Nottinghamshire, Leicestershire and Middlesex to reach the semi-final round.

Gillette Cup quarter final round

Leicestershire v Gloucestershire at Leicester.
Worcestershire v Middlesex at Worcester.
Lancashire v Hampshire at Old Trafford.
Nottinghamshire v Derbyshire at Trent Bridge.

Hendrick is decisive in Derbyshire victory

TAUNTON: Derbyshire won by three runs.

Fine bowling by Hendrick took Derbyshire to an exciting Gillette Cup victory by three runs against Somerset yesterday. The impires, in the absence of adjudicator Tom Graveney, made Swarbrook the man of the match. He scored 47 and took one for 35 on the first day before rain intervened.

Somerset resumed needing 33 from 55 balls with five wickets left. On a pitch freshed by yesterday's rain, Hendrick took two wickets for nine runs in five decisive overs He claimed the wickets of the overnight batsmen Burgess and Slocombe.

Burgess, missing a hook, took a painful blow in the groin and was out for 31 soon after. With 10 needed from the last two overs, Botham was out swinging at Russell. With seven needed of Hendrick's last over, Slocombe's brave innings for 26 ended when he was caught at short extra cover.

Jones was run out with two balls left. They resulted in only two singles. In the quarter-finals round on August 6, Derbyshire play Nottinghamshire at Trent Bridge.

DERBYSHIRE: 200 for 6 (J. B. Bolus 63).

SOMERSET

†D. J. S. Taylor, c Taylor, b Swarbrook	14
B. C. Rose, b Stevenson	4
P. W. Denning, b Stevenson	60
I. V. A. Richards, c and b Russell	49
*D. B. Close, c Taylor, b Russell	1
G. I. Burgess, c Venkataraghavan, b Hendrick	31
P. A. Slocombe, c Venkataraghavan, b Hendrick	26
I. T. Botham, c Venkataraghavan, b Russell	1
H. R. Moseley, not out	1
A. A. Jones, run out	1
R. J. Clapp, not out	1
Extras (l-b 7, n-b 1)	8
Total (9 wkts)	197

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—23, 2—32, 3—74, 4—89, 5—173, 6—184, 7—193, 8—194, 9—195.

BOWLING: Stevenson, 12—1—53—2; Hendrick, 12—1—25—2; Venkataraghavan, 12—3—32—0; Swarbrook, 12—2—35—1; Russell, 12—1—44—3.

UMPIRES: W. L. Budd and P. Rochford.

Corals betting on the Gillette Cup is: 100-30 Leicestershire, 7-2 Lancashire, 9-2 Worcestershire, 11-2 Hampshire, 8-1 Middlesex, 10-1 Derbyshire, 12-1 Gloucestershire, Nottinghamshire.

Minor Counties

WOLVERHAMPTON: Northumberland, 158 for 8 dec and 175 for 6 (K. Pearson 60); Staffordshire, 10- for 7 dec (Asif Masood 5 for 43) and 26 for 0. Match abandoned.

BRIDGEWATER: Wiltshire, 186 for 5 dec (T. I. Barwell 60) and 156 for 8 dec; Somerset II, 155 (R. J. Gulliver 6 for 66) and 40 for 2. Match drawn.

Second XI competition

HORTON: Northamptonshire, 179 for 7 dec (R. Williams 68); Yorkshire, 25 for 0.

Under-25 competition

NORTH WEMBLEY: Middlesex, 202 for 7 (R. O. Butcher 57); Surrey, 206 for 5. Surrey won by five wickets.

When one run and two minds do not mix

By Gerry Harrison

MANCHESTER: Lancashire beat Northamptonshire by nine wickets.

More than simply a question of superiority and inevitability was on show at Old Trafford yesterday in the 100 minutes Lancashire took to polish off Northamptonshire.

As if to put a bit of early spice into the proceedings, two England players, Lloyd and Wood, with years of experience playing together, put on a demonstration of basic chemistry that one run and two minds do not mix. Needing another 85 runs with all their wickets standing to nail their opponents to the mast in this protracted Gillette Cup tie, Lancashire set off in stately style. Then in the fourth over Lloyd played Hodgson towards Watts in the covers and set off down the wicket. Wood shouted "No" and Lloyd wheeled away to the pavilion.

For Wood, after his enforced absence of six matches from the Lancashire side, this unequal combat provided him with 135 minutes' useful practice in the middle. Lancashire's next three-day game, against the Australians, finishes just before the England selectors make their choice for Lord's. Wood's concentration and application yesterday looked better than his timing. When he had scored 10 an uppish drive off his legs off Cottam flew to Steele's groping left hand but Northamptonshire were clutching unavailingly at straws at this stage. Thereafter, Wood got his head down.

Hayes made a much bigger impression particularly on W. J. Edrich, who made the man of the match award. Before presenting the goods to Lever for his devastating spell of bowling at the beginning of Northamptonshire's innings, Mr Edrich made even more friends at Old Trafford by saying: "Hayes should be in the England side on this morning's performance." And if that was not enough he went on to liken Hayes's hooking, low and swift, to that of D. C. S. Compton. Tasty words but of course it is accepted good manners that after dinner speakers do not refer to hosts' inconsistencies.

Certainly in the eight boundaries which were the backbone of his 50 in 82 minutes Hayes demonstrated a free range of strokes. Dye, whose first five overs of the morning cost only one run, managed to keep him under lock and key for a while; but he burst out in the last quarter of an hour and left Wood standing. He was in fact rooted on 27 for 35 minutes and completely outdone.

Another brace of shots from Hayes wrapped it up and now it is seven years since Northamptonshire last beat a first class county in this competition.

NORTHAMPSHIRE: 106 (P. Lever 4 for 18).

LANCASHIRE

*D. Lloyd, run out	12
B. Wood, not out	28
F. C. Hayes, not out	56
Extras (b 2, l-b 1, w 1, n-b 7)	11
Total (1 wkt) 36.5 overs	107

C. H. Lloyd, B. W. Reidy, †F. M. Engineer, D. P. Hughes, J. Simmons, K. Shuttleworth, P. Lever did not bat.

FALL OF WICKET: 1—26.

BOWLING: Sarfraz, 9—2—23—0; Dye, 8—3—18—0; Hodgson, 9.5—4—19—0; Cottam, 4—0—17—0; Mushtaq, 6—0—20—0.

Umpires: W. E. Phillipson and A. G. T. Whitehead.

Tennis

Miss Navratilova 'too old' at 18 for cup event

From Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent
Le Touquet, July 17

International team championships spice the dish of individual tennis tournaments. During the next three days eight nations will contest the concluding rounds of the women's under-21 championship for the Annie Soisbault Cup, a clay court event that has assumed increasing importance since the flight to professionalism hastened the competitive maturity of ambitious teenagers. The event is in its eleventh year and Britain, who first competed in 1972 and have never failed to reach the final, stand as good a chance as anyone of winning the trophy.

Britain were runners-up to the Soviet Union in 1972, avenged that defeat in the 1973 final, and had a match point before losing to Czechoslovakia last season. The same Czechoslovak team, Martina Navratilova and Renata Tomanova, won this year's senior world championship for the Federation Cup. But neither is here this week. Vera Sukova, the Czechoslovak captain, told me this afternoon that Miss Tomanova, who will be 21 in December, was "too old" and that Miss Navratilova, aged 18, had also been omitted because it was necessary "to give the youngsters a chance".

Most of us would regard Miss Navratilova and Miss Tomanova themselves as "youngsters". Could it be that someone has decided they should not risk their reputations among contemporaries? Their cases contrast with that of Susan Barker, of Britain, aged 19. She has already played here twice and has come back again—with, in personal terms, everything to lose and nothing to gain except patriotic satisfaction—after winning senior tournaments at Baastad and Kitzbühel.

"We were building ourselves up for Navratilova", said Britain's non-playing captain, Susan Mappin. "Though it is a bonus, we are sorry, in a way, that she is not here. It would have been nice to have won with her in the Czechoslovak team. But you have to take each match as it comes. France are going to be tough tomorrow. But that is a good thing. We are going to be working hard in every match."

On head-to-head form tomorrow's order of play has worked out well for Britain. Miss Barker plays Brigitte Simon and Linda Mottram, aged 18, opposes Frederique Thibault. The same British players will probably compete in the doubles. The third member of the British team is Michele Tyler, aged 16, who recently reached the third round of her first senior Wimbledon.

If they can deal with France, Britain may have an easier match with Italy or West Germany in the semi-final round. But the final, assuming they reach it, will be a formidable test. Their opponents will probably be Romania (unless they lose to Sweden, whose leading player is Helena Anliot) or Czechoslovakia (who are a good side even without Miss Navratilova and Miss Tomanova). The Romanian pair, Virginia Ruzici and Mariana Simionescu are the most experienced team here, but during the past year or so, have not made the progress expected of them.

The draw is: Britain v France, W Germany v Italy, Sweden v Romania, Brazil v Czechoslovakia. The competition has been won four times by the Soviet Union, twice by France and the Netherlands, and once each by Britain and Czechoslovakia.

WIMBLEDON: Boys schools championships: Clark Cup, fourth round: MCS beat Coventry 2—1; Glyn beat Stockton 3—1; Millfield beat UCS 2—0; St Paul's beat Haileybury 2—0; Wrekin beat Winchester 2—0; Chesham beat Wakefield 2—0. Fifth round: Manchester beat Danum 2—0; Millfield beat St Paul's 2—0; Chesham beat Wrekin 2—0. Milbourn Cup, fifth round: Ilford beat Llandovery 2—0; Brighton beat Hele's 2—1; Dr Challoner's beat Merchant Taylors 2—1; Millfield beat Sherborne 2—0. Semi-final round: Ilford beat Brighton 2—1; Millfield beat Dr Challoner's 2—0.

CHICAGO: J. Alexander beat W. Brown, 6—3, 6—2; R. Gottfried beat J. James, 6—3, 6—1; A. Pattison beat P. Dent, 6—3, 4—6, 6—4; H. Rahim beat E. Dibbs, 6—4, 4—6, 6—4.

HILVERSUM: Z. Franulovic beat F. Jauffret, 6—3, 6—0; V. Pecci beat I. el Shafei, 7—6, 6—1; G. Vilas beat J. Fassbander, 6—3, 6—3.

Swimming

Several records likely in world event

Cali, Colombia, July 17.—Competitors from 39 countries look set to break more records when the second world swimming, water polo and diving championships start here tomorrow.

The championships will be officially opened tomorrow and the competitions will get under way the following day with diving and water polo. The crowds here will have to wait until Tuesday for the first of the swimming heats which are expected to be dominated by United States men and East German girls.

Several potential medal winners, including David Wilkie, of Britain, and Sonya Gray, of Australia, have been hit by stomach trouble here. But they have both recovered and doctors say swimmers should have shaken off all effects of the sickness before the heats on Tuesday.

"I don't know who is going to win the 100 metres free-style but he's sure going to have to time less than 51 seconds", James Montgomery, of the United States, said.

"It looks as though they're going to get my 200 metres butterfly record", said Mark Spitz, who won seven gold medals for the United States at the Munich Olympic Games.

Spitz is not competing here. He will be making television commentaries from the press box at the modern Pan-American pool—the main centre for the swimming events.

Wilkie, who holds the world record for the 200 metres individual medley, is hoping to win three gold medals. The 21-year-old Scotsman is taking part in the 100 and 200 metres breaststroke and the 200 metres medley. "I could win all three, and in this type of company I'm bound to beat records", Wilkie said.—Reuter.

England party

The England party for the 12-13 age group international swimming match against the Netherlands and West Germany at Hengelo, Netherlands, *on* August 2 and 3 is:

BOYS: Freestyle: 100 metres: A. Turner (Norbreck) and P. Morgan (Wales). 200 metres: B. Gaven (Everton) and G. McCaffery (South Manchester). 400 metres: Gaven and R. Pavitt (Modernians). 1,500m: M. Hackett (Leeds) and G. Brookhouse (Camp Hill Edwardians). Backstroke: 100m: J. Smith (Southampton) and S. Harris (Triam). 200m: D. Elsam (Lincoln) and I. Collins (Bilston). Breaststroke: 100m: K. Pacey (Leicester) and M. Porter (Tees-side). 200m: Porter and L. France (Tyldesley). Butterfly: 100m: Smith and M. Arch (Modernians). 200m: Arch and M. Davies (Wales). Individual medley: 200m: Smith and Turner. 400m: Porter and K. Roberts (Derby).

GIRLS: Freestyle: 100m and 200m: P. Pedley (Southend and Leigh) and J. Stable (Dewsbury). 400m: L. Heggie (Warriors) and Stable. 800m: Stable and Heggie. Backstroke: 100m and 200m: J. Beasley (Halesowen) and H. Lawson (Southampton). Breaststroke: 100m: G. Mason (Southampton) and L. Hilder (Shiverers). 200m: Hilder and W. Swann (St James Ladies). Butterfly: 100m and 200m: D. Cox (Coventry) and S. Blake (Havering). Individual medley: 200m: S. Davies (Plymouth) and Swann. 400m: Davies and Heggie. Included for Relays: G. Rodgers (Garston). Diving: Boys: J. Hides (Sheffield City) and I. Courtney (Coventry). Girls: C. Wood (Guildford) and F. Barton (Morden Park). The diving will take place at Zandvoort, where a nine nations diving contest is being staged.

SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING: K. Archer, A. Barcow, K. Johnston, A. Kenyon, J. Murray, J. Parsons, D. Shaikh, E. Weston and E. Peet.

Casper changes sides and now leads Americas

Bill Casper, the captain of the Rest of the World team last year will lead the Americas team in this year's international gold tournament at the Ailsa course, Turnberry Hotel, in September. However, his playing is subject to sponsorship release and the tournament is to be sponsored by Double Diamond.

If Casper cannot be released, Sam Snead has promised to take his place. Gary Player will captain the Rest of the World team. Other members of the Americas team will be Irwin, the Piccadilly match play champion, de Vicenzo of Argentina, and Heard and Colbert of the United States.

Jack Newton, beaten in the play-off for the British Open title last Sunday is in the Rest of the World team. He has an unbeaten record in the three tournaments, sponsored by Double Diamond, he has played. Charles, a left-handed player from New Zealand, is also in the Rest of the World team. The remaining two members will be announced later, as will be the teams from England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales.

The Double Diamond week starts on Tuesday, September 23 with a two-day individual strokeplay championship. The international event starts on the Thursday and finishes on Saturday, September 27.

Rugby League

Australian claim about Mills to be discussed

The Rugby League Council, at a special conference in Salford on Sunday, will discuss a claim by the North Sydney Club, Australia, that Widnes owe them a fee of 4,500 dollars (about £1,800) for James Mills, a Welsh international prop-forward. Mills, after playing for North Sydney, returned to England nearly three years ago to play for Widnes.

David Oxley, the League secretary, said yesterday: "The Australian Board of Control have said that if no fee is forthcoming by September 30, the transfer system between the two countries will break down. This would certainly be to our detriment because the Australian clubs would plunder our best players without paying for them." Also on the agenda on Sunday are plans for the second phase of the world championship to be staged in England and Wales in the autumn.

Warrington, the beaten finalists in the Challenge Cup at Wembley last May, lost £2,842 on the year, according to the annual report and balance sheet issued yesterday. Transfer fees account for the major portion of the loss. The report also reveals that the testimonial to their club coach, Alex Murphy, in recognition of his 20 years' service to the game, reached £10,000. Murphy is also the coach to the England team.

York's centre and fine goal-kicker, Stephen Quinn, announced his retirement from the game yesterday, at the age of 23. The York directors reacted to the surprising news by asking Quinn to reconsider his decision.

They have put him on the transfer list at £6,000. In a letter to the board, Quinn, who has kicked over 100 goals for York in each of the last three seasons, says that his reason for retiring stems from a lack of enthusiasm and interest in the game.

Basketball

CANTON: Canton 78, England 87.

Boxing

PORT MORESBY: Junior welterweight: Hector Thompson beat Filipino Pedro Adigue, pts.

Football

Channon's transfer request is rejected

Michael Channon's request for a transfer was turned down by the Southampton board at a meeting yesterday. Channon, an England striker, wants first division football and despite lengthy talks with his manager, Lawrie McMenemy, still insisted that he wanted a move. His application was considered by the board and rejected.

Several Leeds United players have not yet signed contracts for the new season and one of them is Joe Jordan, the Scottish international striker who wants to talk to the manager, Jimmy Armfield, about his future.

Jordan trained with the rest of the players yesterday but plans to see Mr Armfield within the next few days after being unsettled by reports that Bayern Munich, the European champions, wanted to sign him.

Leeds had contract trouble with their players when the former manager, Brian Clough, took over at the start of last season, but eventually this was settled. Economies are now being exercised at Elland Road because of the club's strained financial position.

Brian Alderson, Coventry City's Scottish striker, will not be joining Leicester City at present. The Coventry manager, Gordon Milne, said that no firm decision had been made on a £100,000 bid by Leicester for the player.

He said "the Leicester offer was discussed at today's board meeting, but at the moment our first priority is to try and sign one or two new players. The Alderson offer will be shelved for the time being, but the door is not closed."

The Derby County manager, David Mackay, today warned that the league champions would be going out to win "everything" next season. Mr Mackay said: "It is no good setting out your stall for one cup. We must go out to win everything, taking one competition at a time.

"Our team on paper looks frightening and within the next five years we will have developed into the 'super team'. We have excellent youngsters coming through and we can continue to buy."

Charlie George, Derby's £80,000 buy from Arsenal, met his teammates yesterday but Mr Mackay said that he would not be an automatic choice. "He will have to play for his place like everyone else."

Liverpool have asked Hibernian to bring forward the date of their Uefa Cup first round second leg tie at Anfield by a day to September 30, a Tuesday night, the traditional evening for midweek games on Merseyside.

The Dublin club, Bohemians, have written to Rangers asking the Scottish club if they would be willing to play their first leg European Cup tie on September 17 at Dalymount Park instead of in Glasgow. Rangers are unlikely to agree.

Celtic and Valur Reykjavik, of Iceland, have changed dates for their Cup Winners' Cup first round tie. The clubs were due to play the first leg in Glasgow on September 17 with the return on October 1. Now Celtic will play the first match in Iceland on September 16 and the return in Glasgow on October 1.

The arrangement means that the Keflavik v Dundee United Uefa Cup tie due in Iceland on September 17 can go on without opposition.

Olympic Games

Montreal could face a deficit of £148m

Quebec City, July 16.—If the 1976 Olympic Games in Montreal cannot be made self-financing, only Communist or oil-producing countries will be able to host the Olympics in the future, Montreal's Mayor, Jean Drapeau, said today as the city faced a deficit of hundreds of millions of dollars.

The most pessimistic predictions on the financial results of next year's Games see a deficit of $370m (about £148m), but after another full day's meeting of the Quebec parliamentary committee in charge of the Olympic financial problem, it had still not been decided this evening to what extent the various levels of Government should make good the deficit.

The Federal Government has so far refused to help out—a refusal that led Marcel Leger, a Parti Québecois MP, to say that if the Federal Government was not going to make up part of the deficit, "Quebec should form its own Olympic team, separate from that of Canada".

Scotland needs £72.5 million for new facilities

Scotland needs at least £72.5 million for new indoor sports centres, swimming pools and recreation facilities, the Scottish Sports Council claimed yesterday. The Council said in a report that 38 combined community swimming pools and sports centres, costing £27 million, should be provided.

A few areas were already provided with community sports centres but lacked swimming pools. Ten, costing £3.5 million, would be needed. Replacing 46 pools, which are out of date, would cost about £16m, and 54 community sports centres costing £19m were required, the Council added.

The number of community recreation centres needed was estimated at 141, costing £14 million. About half of this cost related to sports provision.

Rifle shooting

BISLEY: Ashburton Shield: Oakham, 49?; Christ's Hospital, 491; Marlborough, 491; Lancing, 490; Wellingborough, Rugby, Uppingham and Framlingham, 488. Public Schools Snapshooting: Oakham, 359; Sedbergh, 356; Uppingham, 348. Sunday Times Medals: Cadet Sgt Staton (Oakham), 50; Cpl D. A. T. Sarlent (Bradfield), 50; Cpl K. R. Broughton (Sedbergh), 49. Ninth Man: L Cpl A. G. Harrison (Christ's Hospital), 46; Cadet N. A. Evrard (Haileybury), 45; Cadet A. J. Stofforth (Bradfield), 45. The Marling: Marlborough, 315; Framlingham, 313; Oakham 298. Service Rifle events: Rapid aggregate: Sgt H. S. Pilkie (Canada), 1?3; C Sgt D. M. Farrow (RM), 128; Sgt L. Mercier (Canada), 128. Service Rifle championship: W O J. Dugas (Canada), 379; Sgt Pilkie, 375; Capt G. M. Clarke (RAOC), 375. Hamilton Leigh: Brig of Ghurkas A; Brig of Ghurkas B; Training Group RM A. Mappin: Canadian Forces A, 478; Canadian Forces B, 454; Training Group RM 439. Bisley Bullet: Capt G. Embahadur (RE), 22. Wantage Tie: Capt J. B. Woods (REME). Stephens Tie: Cpl J. S. Chapman (RM).

Kelly leads team

Sean Kelly, who was a stage winner during the recent Milk Race, will be captain of the Irish Olympic cycling team of five competing in the Raleigh Dunlop Tour of Ireland from August 10 to 17.

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SPORT

Show jumping



Alwin Schockemöhle and the Robber: runners-up in the Embassy Masters Stakes at Hickstead

The young Whitaker rides out into a new and wider world

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris

John Whitaker, the 19-year-old Yorkshire rider who for the past two years has beaten his seniors at his county's show, moved into the international bracket on the first day of a meeting sponsored by Embassy at Hickstead yesterday. Riding Bericote Golden Veil, who was in Derek Ricketts's stable last season without the prefix, he set so tough a target, clear in 79.1sec, in the first leg of the Embassy Masters Stakes that even Alwin Schockemöhle, riding Rex the Robber for West Germany, could finish only as runner-up, in 81.5sec.

Eddie Macken, back in his dark green coat and riding for Ireland again, finished faster, in 79sec, on the Irish seven-year-old Boomerang, by Basilburn, who won two classes in Aachen earlier this month. But a rolling pole in the combination gave him a 7sec penalty and put him in sixth place—much to the disgust of Malcolm Pyrah, who finished third on April Love but had brought a winning coach ticket on the Irishman.

The second leg of the Embassy Masters today is another speed event, worth £100 to the winner, but the final tomorrow, confined to the 30 leaders on points in the two preliminary stages, carries £350 for the winner and eventually £1,000 will go to the horse scoring the optimum points in all three stages. The major part of the total prize money of £4,650 goes to the overall leaders.

Harvey Smith, charting the course on Speak Easy, and currently lying seventh, held an informal press conference in which the veneer of affability which has impressed observers this season proved to have worn a little thin with his loss of form. Having secured the *Daily Mail* correspondent to the paddock rails by his tie, he recommended journalists not to praise the young Whitaker too highly and advised the selectors not to send him abroad for another two years.

He then made a few valid criticisms concerning the wisdom of jumping horses for 10 consecutive days before remounting his favourite hobby horse, down with Hickstead and Son. His advice to the BBC was not to renew their contract with Hickstead because the competition was becoming boring for the public. Some might level the same charge at its perpetrator.

Hendrik Snoek, who three years ago became the first West German winner of the British Jumping Derby here, took the opening competition, the Wills Embassy Regal Stakes, riding his new horse, Rochus. Only three went clear and Snoek, a qualified economist, alone produced a repeat performance to win from Stanny van Paesschen on Passe Partout for Belgium.

The prototype mobile caravan provided by the Totalisator is breaking ground with a vengeance, for it is making a book as well. Dr Geoffrey Ardron, director-general of the Tote, a computer expert and a former physicist, has been with Tote Investors for three years and told me: "I have been all over the world to study totalisator systems in various countries. We are trying to build up viable competition for the bookmakers. We've had some new ideas, and we thought Hickstead was a good place to try them out. When Douglas Bunn approached us in February we had no hesitation in deciding to start operations here. This caravan is the prototype—we may one day have as many as 10 on the course at Tottenham.

"Our life is basically concerned with horses and horse racing, and the better service we provide, the better we shall do. We are not concerned with making a profit at Hickstead. It is the overall service that we provide for our members which concerns us. We have operated an ante-post book for a little over 18 months on all manner of sporting events—though we did draw the line at the Miss World competition, which we found impossible to justify in terms of sport."

WILLS EMBASSY REGAL STAKES: 1, H. Snoek's Rochus (West Germany); 2, S. van Paesschen's Passe Partout (Belgium); 3, Miss P. Wilson's Albatross.

EMBASSY MASTERS: Stage 1: J. Whitaker's Bericote Golden Veil; 2, A. Schockemöhle's Rex the Robber (West Germany); 3, M. Pyrah's April Love.

Racing

Kimberley survives objection at Redcar

Tony Kimberley, beaten a head when he dropped the reins on Tudor Crown at Redcar on Wednesday, had another fright at the Yorkshire course yesterday before scoring a double on Winter Melody and Willie Ormond.

Winter Melody, who tried to make all the running in the Petty Officer Handicap, was hanging right, away from the rails and towards the challenging Mr McMandy, all the way through the straight, and when Kimberley eventually had to put his whip down 100 yards from home his mount swerved sharply right. He did not quite touch Mr McMandy, but Brian Connorton on the runner-up objected for interference and the stewards took quite a long time before overruling the objection.

Willie Ormond has found his share of trouble in recent races, so Nigel Angus told Kimberley to bring him wide of the others in the Moorsholm Handicap, and the tactics worked well. Willie Ormond came with a long run on the outside to hit the front 200 yards out and win easily from Provident, who was the third runner-up of the day for Herbert Jones. Nutshell, backed from 6-1 to 5-2, hit the front turning for home but dropped away in the last quarter of a mile to finish last.

Nutshell's trainer, Michael Easterby, had the consolation, however, of a double—Partridge Brook and Bustello. Bustello gave the smart young jump jockey, Colin Tinkler, his first flat success, bursting three lengths clear of Prince Lauso in the final furlong of the Lealholm Plate. Tinkler can do 9st but would be reluctant to go lower for fear of jeopardizing his jumping prospects.

Partridge Brook was always just commanding her market rival, Gunner B, in the Ugthorpe Plate, to make her score three wins and three seconds from six starts—a good shooting for a 700 guineas buy.

Redcar results

2.0 (2.2) LIVERTON STAKES (Handicap: £541: 7f)
Astronomist, b f, by Sky Gipsy—Palmello (T. Mellor), 3-8-9 ... K. Lewis (11-1) 1
Tid, b c, by Raeburn II—Irish Rising (Mrs E. Bell), 4-9-1 ... E. Johnson (5-2 fav) 2
Buckfastleigh, gr c, by St Paddy—Abbie West (J. Winter), 4-9-7 ... O. Gray (6-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-2 Chadforth, 7-1 Mister Chicken, 10-1 Willyboy, 11-1 Taj Mahal, 14-1 Tunstall Jane, 16-1 Spirit of Ecstasy, She Thawed, 20-1 Auto-Speed (4th), Young Crosby, Kist, Carradine, Creamery Royale, Double Comedy. 16 ran.
TOTE: Win, £1.29; places, 18p, 15p, 20p, 66p. H. Wharton, at Doncaster. 1l, ½l.

2.35 (2.37) UGTHORPE PLATE (2-y-o: £690: 7f)
Partridge Brook, b f, by Birdbrook—Limena (T. English), 8-8 ... B. Raymond (13-8 jt fav) 1
Gunner B, ch c, by Royal Gunner (USA)—Sweet Councillor (Mrs P. Barratt), 8-11 ... B. Connorton (13-8 jt fav) 2
Rough River, b c, by Forlorn River—Stormy Love (Mrs G. Spink), 8-11 ... E. Johnson (9-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 13-1 Seronk, 20-1 Chanda (4th), 33-1 White Game, Red Frame. 7 ran.
TOTE: Win, 23p; places, 11p, 11p; dual forecast, 17p. M. W. Easterby, at Flaxton. ½l, 7l.

3.10 (3.12) PETTY OFFICER STAKES (Handicap: £845: 1m 6f)
Winter Melody, b c, by Crepello—Melodius (J. Hanson), 4-8-6 ... A. Kimberley (100-30) 1
Mr McMandy, b g, by Mandamus—Miss McWorden (E. Holland-Martin), 5-8-13 ... B. Connorton (9-4 fav) 2
Broughty Harbour, ch g, by Typhoon—Queen Mab (H. Lawson), 4-8-8 E. Apter (7-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-2 Corregio (4th), 6-1 Galab Bird, 20-1 Broken Cast. 6 ran.
TOTE: Win, 31p; places, 1op, 15p; forecast, 86p. J. Hindley, at Newmarket. Nk, 3l.

3.40 (3.42) FYLING THORPE PLATE (2-y-o: £414: 6f)
Snapstrike, b g, by Polyfoto—Vesta (M. Taylor), 7 st 13 lb ... T. Lappin (12-1) 1
Raggen, ch c, by Firestreak—Saucy Moll (Mrs E. Bell), 8 st 5 lb ... E. Johnson (8-1) 2
Tamalone, ch f, by Native Prince—Lovely Sovereign (T. Metcalfe), 7 st 7 lb ... S. Salmon (9-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 3-1 jt fav Kabruf, 3-1 jt fav More, 7-1 Family Portrait, 10-1 Fanlall, Camberoad, Lucky Ambition, 13-1 Cheeky Boy (4th), Palustra, 14-1 Island Mist, 20-1 Windy Sail, Breezy Girl, Exacum, Jonhud, Linthorpe, Disa. 18 ran.
TOTE: Win, £1.10; places, 41p, 68p, 38p. K. Payne, at Middleham. Nk, 3l.

4.10 (4.12) MOORSHOLM STAKES (Handicap: 3-y-o: £574: 1m 3f)
Willie Ormond, b c, by Blakeney—Kirkythalls (J. Banks), 8 st 7 lb ... A. Kimberley (100-30) 1
Provident, ch c, by Song—Once For All (E. Smith), 7 st 12 lb ... E. Johnson (12-1) 2
Troopetle, b f, by Kings' Troop—Crepinette (Lord Zetland), 8 st 5 lb ... J. Lowe (100-30) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-2 fav Nutshell, 5-1 Ortolano (4th).
TOTE: Win, 27p; forecast: £1.88. N. Angus, at Ayr. 2½l, sh h.

4.40 (4.42) LEALHOLM PLATE (3-y-o: £414: 1m)
Bustello, b c, by Busted—Radio Caroline (B. Reiss), 9 st 0 lb ... C. Tinkler (8-1) 1
Prince Lauso, b g, by Lauso—Who-Done-It (Mrs W. Richardson), 8 st 13 lb ... S. Webster (7-4 fav) 2
Vidkun, ch g, by Quisling—Angelique (S. Jackson), 9 st 4 lb ... A. Barclay (9-4) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-2 Cheeky, 10-1 Periplus (4th), 16-1 If Man, 20-1 Yellow Cloud, Indebar, Golden Acer, Land Of Dreams, 33-1 Canadella, Rockabye Kate, Salamantar, What A Performance. 14 ran.
TOTE: Win, £1.07; places, 20p, 13p, 15p. M. W. Easterby, at Flaxton. 3l, 3l.

TOTE DOUBLE: Winter Melody and Willie Ormond, £6.45. TREBLE: Partridge Brook, Snapstrike and Bustello, £32.45.

Nottingham

6.30: 1, Sally Downes (4-5 fav); 2, Prince Argent (15-2); 3, Misty Joanne (11-2). 9 ran.
6.55: 1, Tabernacle (3-1); 2, Track Anna (13-2); 3, Tubular Bells (7-1). 9 ran. Chebs Honour (7-4 fav).
7.25: 1, Limpopo (4-1); 2, Falling Gold (5-1); 3, Attorney General (6-4 fav). 6 ran.
7.50: 1, Cappuccilli (11-8 fav); 2, Feus Rouges (7-1); 3, Red Ruby (14-1). 22 ran.
8.30: 1, Fiery Coin (7-1); 2, Bullwhip (20-1); 3, Pave the Way (2-1 fav). 11 ran. Full Value did not run.
8.50: 1, Inza Baba (5-1 fav); 2, Battlemont (11-2); 3, Iron Grill (10-1). 11 ran.

Hamilton Park

7.0: 1, Kernel Rose (3-1 jt fav); 2, Croisette (3-1 jt fav); 3, Marcus Game (3-1 jt fav). 6 ran. Dunboy did not run.
7.35: 1, Shirty Boy (2-1); 2, Donnaston (13-8 fav); 3, Daves Equal (3-1). 5 ran.
7.55: 1, Shore Captain (8-11 fav); 2, Doctor Win (5-1); 3, Porto Rico (7-1). 8 ran.
8.20: 1, Honey Bright (4-1); 2, Breakaduck (6-1); 3, Blue Barrier (7-1). 7 ran. Bunny Jim 7-4 fav.
8.50: 1, Wax Fruit (1-5 fav); 2, Sea Headrig (7-1); 3, Huntercombe Lad (7-1). 4 ran.
9.15: 1, Gyrate (7-2); 2, Kings Drum (7-4 fav); 3, Jutland (5-2). 5 ran.

Bath results

2.0 (2.4) PULTENEY PLATE (2-y-o: £544: 5f)
Amorous Song, ch c, by Song—Amorella (Col Sir D. Clague), 9-0 ... J. Mercer (11-4 fav) 1
Lorenzo Monaco, br c, by Lorenzaccio—Moon Song (Mrs P. De Savary), 9-0 ... J. Lynch (7-1) 2
Amberren, ch c, by Amber Rama—Renoir Picture (Lord Cadogan), 9-0 ... T. Rogers (12-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 4-1 Chemin de Fer, 5-1 Angels Pathway, 10-1 Captive Knight, 11-1 Monymusk, 12-1 Well Set Up, 14-1 Security Council, 20-1 Communicant (4th), Mistral Rose, Minervina, Beautifully Blue, Delaware Bay, My Raff. 15 ran.
TOTE: Win, 36p; places, 20p, 33p, 55p. P. Nelson, at Lambourn. 1l, 5l.

2.30 (2.30) BRISTOL STAKES (3-y-o: £518: 1m 3f)
Soldier Rose, b c, by Galivanter—March Rose (Mrs M. Slade), 9-0 ... A. Murray (5-4 fav) 1
Murray Flash, b c, by Murrayfield—Shoulder Flash (Mrs J. Benskin), 9-0 ... J. Mercer (7-4) 2
Kimstar, ch f, by Aureole—Toque (A. Richards), 8-11 ... J. Curant (33-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-1 Cannes (4th), 14-1 Brilliant Reay, 33-1 Freezing Point, Full Ahead, Maple Tree, Port Side, Daset Lass, Mangalore, Moonsprite, Oak Lass. 13 ran.
TOTE: Win, 3up; places, 12p, 13p, 71p. H. R. Price, at Findon. 1½l, 8l. Zulaville did not run.

3.0 (3.3) MALMESBURY HANDICAP (£595: 5f)
Boundless, br g, by Queen's Hussar—Outward Bound (J. Green), 6-9-7 ... J. Mercer (11-1) 1
Far Cry, ch c, by Weepers Boy—Warning Note (F. Holland), 4-8-6 ... P. Cook (10-1) 2
Melon, gr h, by Quorum—Persica (Mrs M. Johnson), 6-8-9 ... R. Middleton (10-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 3-1 fav Gold Mark, 4-1 Micted, 11-2 Strathoykel (4th), 13-2 My Eagle, 10-1 Will-He-Venture, 14-1 Another Fiddler, 20-1 Spanish Nun. 10 ran.
TOTE: Win, 81p; places, 27p, 19p, 20p; dual forecast, £1.95. G. Peter-Hoblyn at Manton. Sh hd, 2l.

3.30 (3.32) DOWNS PLATE (3-y-o: £414: 7f)
Trumpers, ch c, by all Mall—Scinned (J. Astor), 9-4 ... J. Mercer (85-40 fav) 1
Melise, b f, by Pretendre—Mary of Scots (Lord Carnarvon), 8-10 ... R. Fox (5-2) 2
Non Drinker, br c, by Bold Reason—Reluctance (V. Kilkenny), 8-11 ... R. Edmondson (14-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-2 Bahrain Paddy, 8-1 Cloudy King (4th), 14-1 Sierra Verde, Frivolity, 33-1 Friday's Meadow, Go Brookhire, Ivelsy Boy, Remenham, Stay Happy, Pride of Penrose. 13 ran.
Tote win 28p; places, 15p 13p, 22p. W. Hern, at West Ilsley. 3l, 4l. Chocolate Imp did not run.

4.0 (4.0) HAMILTON HANDICAP (£647: 2m 1f)
Orchy, ch f, by Aureole—Sealskerry (H. Wills), 3-8-2 ... P. Eddery (4-1) 1
Bevin Boy, ch g, by Royal Avenue—Once For All (P. Hamlyn), 7-8-10 ... T. Carter (20-1) 2
Ovation II, ch f, by Never Say Die—Orabella II (Mrs M. Hammond), 4-8-0 ... G. Duffield (20-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-4 fav Something to Hide, 11-2 Ballydamus, 6-1 Queen's Treasure, 10-1 Eric (4th), 16-1 Ronson Avenue, Streakland, 20-1 Hemmings, Palmeira Square, Paveh Star, Teasing Wind, Cortanica, Elgar. 15 ran.
TOTE: Win, 29p; places, 18p, 71p, 60p. P. Walwyn, at Lambourn. 4l, 1l.

4.30 (4.30) MILBOURNE STAKES (Div I: 3-y-o: £574: 5f)
Ribramble, br c, by Ribero—Bramble (H. Copsey), 9-0 ... G. Ramshaw (11-2) 1
Sunny Bloom, b f, by Forlorn River—Gold Bloom (G. Basham), 8-11 ... J. Mercer (7-2 jt fav) 2
Hazeley, b f, by Hard Task—Hiatus (Mrs J. Owen), 8-11 ... J. Egan (33-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-2 jt fav Carol Singer, 6-1 Alison's Jewel, Worth a Vote, 13-2 Crockove, 10-1 Hunting Day, 12-1 Falcon's Heir (4th), 33-1 Hail To Glory, Cloudeen, Iahka, Miss Shelstar. 13 ran.
TOTE: Win, 86p; places, 30p, 26p, £1.21. R. Smyth, at Epsom. ½l, ¾l.

5.0 (5.0) MILBOURNE STAKES (Div II: 3-y-o: £574: 5f)
Kings Royale, b c, by King's Troop—Fibula (H. Burchell), 9-0 ... A. Murray (13-8 fav) 1
Copper Dream, ch f, by Gala Performance—Miss Wolff (Mrs P. Jevons), 8-11 G. Baxter (14-1) 2
Annaray, ch f, by Porto Bello—Anne Barry (Miss A. Cooper-Dean), 8-11 ... J. Mercer (3-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-1 Rose Track, 8-1 Fort Henry, 10-1 Our Song (4th), 14-1 Fastina, 25-1 Klairedo, Legal Entry, Chilose, Henri, Tasmene. 12 ran.
TOTE: Win, 29p; places, 14p, 33p, 16p. H. Price, at Findon. 6l, ½l.
TOTE DOUBLE: Roundloss and Orchy, £15.30. TREBLE: Soldier Rose, Trumpers and Ribramble, £11.35.

Crumbs from the masters' table

By Jim Snow

Just about the peak weekend of racing on the flat starts today with four meetings and continues tomorrow with five. Trainers have had no easy task in making riding arrangements for their horses, who will be travelling in many different directions to the nine meetings.

The absence of Lester Piggott, Patrick Eddery, William Carson and Ernest Johnson, who will be riding in tomorrow's Irish Guinness Oaks, creates something of a vacuum at the top, but the less known and less successful jockeys, and the leading apprentices, will have no cause to complain. There will be work for nearly all and the crumbs that fall here and there from the rich man's table will come as an unexpected bonus, but all the more welcome for that.

Liverpool has come off worst of today's four meetings with 34 runners but Newbury, Newmarket and Hamilton Park have reasonably sized fields. Newbury has a turnout of 60, Newmarket's evening meeting 58, and Hamilton Park does not do badly with 46.

If the rain had not come fields would have been miserably small at today's four meetings.

On brick-hard home gallops strong work cannot take place. In consequence, horses cannot be sharpened up by a final gallop or two to meet their immediate engagements, and Richard Peacock and Sam Hall have told me that for many of their horses it has been a case of walking and trotting around the roads of Middleham, and they can only hope for the best when they run.

In Newbury's six furlong Hackwood Stakes two of the seven runners come from Ireland—Bold Tack from William Robinson's stable and Rev Counter, whom Walter Swinburne rides for R. Annesley. They might finish first and second. Both have excellent form, but my choice goes to Bold Tack, the mount of Eddery, who rode him to a two-length victory at The Curragh on June 28. Rev Counter in that race was three lengths away, fourth, but he now has the substantial advantage of 12lb. Possibly flying in the face of logic and the form book, I take Bold Tack to win from the other Irish challenger.

Henry Candy, who has done well since he took over from his father, might have two winners with Amy in the Aldbourne Three-year-old Stakes and Dove in the St Catherine Two-year-old Stakes. Amy started favourite at Newmarket on July 9 when she finished third to Fiery King, and Dove was well supported three weeks ago when winning at Lingfield Park by two lengths and a half.

Lacewing, successful over seven furlongs at Ascot in April but beaten in his next two races, makes slightly more appeal than In The Balance and Light Laughter in the Ridgeway Handicap, and Eddery, before he goes to Ireland tomorrow to ride One Over Parr in the Guinness Oaks, may get on his plane with the nice feeling that he won the last race at Newbury on Go Gracefully (4.30).

At Newmarket's evening meeting Frank Durr, returning to ride after a short spell resting through a small injury to his wrist, has a probable winner in Euro Star in the Lavenham Handicap (7.30), and I think the last two races at Newmarket will go to Bruce Raymond's mount, London Glory (8.30) and to Piggott on Lucastown (9.0). Euro Star was a strong favourite when he won two weeks ago at Great Yarmouth, and London Glory fought it out bravely when he got home in a photograph finish at Pontefract in May. Lucastown ran on well in the last furlong when finishing second at Sandown Park to Pirate Dream, and this form is probably better than that of his 11 rivals.

After a break of 11 years flat racing returned to Liverpool last month. I am afraid it could not be described as a triumphant return. There seemed to be a small crowd in the vast arena of Aintree. Today comes the second meeting with every race named after a character in Shakespeare. I doubt if Falstaff would have chuckled and given out his full-blooded laughter at the size and the quality of the seven runners in his race (2.15). Possibly also Cleopatra might have taken umbrage at her name being linked to the two-year-old seller (4.15), with the winner to be sold for £500 or upwards. She probably put a higher price on herself, and no doubt would be backed up in this valuation by Antony.

None the less, the naming of the six races, one of which is unfortunately a two-horse affair at 3.15, and another, the Macbeth Handicap (2.45) will have three runners, is a refreshing break from the ordinary and unimaginative names such as the City or the Borough Handicaps. Certainly, the Romeo and Juliet Plate and the Hamlet Handicap have a better ring about them.

Confluence, winner of the Carlisle Bell, should beat his two rivals in the Macbeth Handicap, and Rubydar will be at long odds-on to defeat his one rival, Tee Cee, in the Hamlet Handicap. Henry Cecil's Bontecou, fourth at Great Yarmouth early this month, probably has Royoco and Hafod Wen to beat in the Romeo and Juliet Plate, which has attracted the biggest field of the afternoon with 11 runners.

STATE OF GOING (official): Liverpool, firm; Newbury, good; Hamilton Park, good to firm; Newmarket, good to firm; Ayr (tomorrow), good; Ripon (tomorrow), good.

Liverpool programme

2.15 FALSTAFF PLATE (2-y-o: £345: 5f)
4 02 Celtic Sea (Mrs J. Mullion), G. P.-Gordon, 8-11 G. Duffield 5
10 00443 Just Fred (W. Kendrick), R. Hollinshead, 8-11 ... T. Ives 7
11 32 Mino Boy (Mrs P. Yong), J. Etherington, 8-11 ... C. Dwyer 2
15 004 Royal Pursuit (G. Leatham), H. Wharton, 8-11 B. Connorton 3
17 0 Tommys Hope (W. Thornton), S. Hall, 8-11 ... W. Bentley 6
20 Wribben Hall (J. Bound), A. W. Jones, 8-11 ... C. Moss 3
21 040 Yodeller's Dream (G. Ashton), R. E. Peacock, 8-11 G. Cadwaladr 1
2-1 Celtic Sea, 7-2 Mino Boy, 4-1 Just Fred, 6-1 Royal Pursuit, 8-1 Yodeller's Dream, 10-1 Tommys Hope, 16-1 Wribben Hall.

2.45 MACBETH HANDICAP (£548: 1m)
3 0-04431 Confluence (D) (W. Carrick), W. Haigh, 4-8-13 E. Johnson 1
5 201440 Princely Mount (D) (C. Perks), R. Hollinshead, 5-8-11 T. Ives 3
17 00000-0 Medicinal Compound (D) (R. Peacock), Peacock, 8-7-13 P. McDermott 7 2
Evens Confluence, 11-10, Princely Mount, 7-1 Medicinal Compound.

3.15 HAMLET HANDICAP (3-y-o: £705: 6f)
9 0-22212 Rubydar (A. Snipe), M. H. Easterby, 8-7 ... G. Cadwaladr 2
20 00-0000 Tee Cee (M. Oakley), R. Mason, 7-8 ... P. Chan 1
2-7 Rubydar, 9-4 Tee Cee.

3.45 ROMEO AND JULIET PLATE (3-y-o: £345: 1¼m)
1 030000 Bam Bam (H. Bamberg), W. Marshall, 9-0 .. G. Cadwaladr 11
7 0-00043 Royoco (J. Stafford), H. Williams, 9-0 ... J. Egan 1
10 0-00 Wetherby (J. Barker), J. Hanson, 9-0 ... W. Bentley 6
11 0-00340 Aunt Jean (Mrs L. Marton), J. Etherington, 8-11 .. L. Brown 7
12 00-4 Bontecou (J. O'Keeffe), H. Cecil, 8-11 ... F. Storey 3
17 0223-40 Hafod Wen (R. McAlpine), F. Cousins, 8-11 ... — 2
18 200-030 Kirkby (C. Moores), R. Peacock, 8-11 ... E. Johnson 10
20 0 Pancake Day (Ld Crawshaw), W. Wharton, 8-11 ... — 4
23 00-0000 Powdered Sugar (Mrs B. Firestone), R. Houghton, 8-11 T. Ives 5
24 00030 Quick Half (F. Markland), D. McCain, 8-11 ... C. Moss 8
27 0300-00 Rising Flight (Mrs P. Gardner), A. Johnson, 8-11 G. Duffield 9
7-4 Kirkby, 4-1 Hafod Wen, Bontecou, 5-1 Aunt Jean, 11-2 Royoco, 13-2 Bam Bam, 10-1 Powdered Sugar, 16-1 others.

4.15 CLEOPATRA PLATE (2-y-o: £345: 6f)
13 00000 Blushing Bride (P. Poston), Poston, 8-8 ... W. Cronshaw 2
17 2004 Hot Belle (J. Edmonds), R. Mason, 8-8 ... G. Cadwaladr 4
18 0 Kimlee (E. Moore), D. Plant, 8-8 ... C. Moss 1
25 40 Trafford Park (W. Tudor), D. Plant, 8-8 ... D. Plant 3
2-5 Hot Belle, 5-1 Blushing Bride, 7-1 Kimlee, 9-1 Trafford Park.

4.45 HORATIO APPRENTICE STAKES (£442: 1m 6f)
1 003-100 Don Rogan (Mrs D. McCain), McCain, 4-9-5 ... D. Dodd 5 1
7 3230-01 Mrs Child (F. Farrow), S. Hall, 7-9-0 ... P. Cain 3 8
8 Conceeded (Air Marshal Sir J. Baldwin), W. Wharton, 6-8-12 B. Clotworthy 3 6
9 2000-30 Robert De Holland (T. Rathbone), D. McCain, 4-8-12 C. Simmonite 3 3
10 3-34232 Seven the Quadrant (J. Kendrick), H. Price, 5-8-12 P. Lee 3 7
11 Dumdeed (E. Young), A. W. Jones, 4-8-9 ... P. Steed 4
12 0030-00 Eltor (P. Poston), Poston, 5-8-9 ... J. McLoughlin 5 2
14 00000-4 Julep (Mrs E. Jones), D. Plant, 4-8-9 ... S. Houlker 5 5
Evens Seven the Quadrant, 6-4 Mrs Child, 8-1 Robert De Holland, 10-1 Don Rogan, 16-1 Conceeded, 25-1 others.

Liverpool selections

By Our Racing Staff
2.15 Celtic Sea. 2.45 Confluence. 3.15 Rubydar. 3.45 Bontecou. 4.15 Hot Belle. 4.45 Mrs Child.
By Our Newmarket Correspondent
3.45 Bontecou.

Newbury programme

2.0 ALDBOURNE STAKES (3-y-o: £624: 1m)
103 0030-30 Benefit (Lady R. McAlpine), J. Bethell, 9-0 M. Thomas 12
105 00- Brother Sun (Lady Ronaldshay), S. Mellor, 9-0 T. Rogers 9
108 33-40 Eastern Gift (J. Roebling), I. Balding, 9-0 J. Matthias 3 5
109 00 Guiting Song (Mrs D. Jennings), P. Walwyn, 9-0 P. Eddery 7
110 4-0000 Highest (Lady Beaverbrook), W. Hern, 9-0 ... J. Mercer 13
111 00 Mr Fordette (R. Snackman), C. Harwood, 9-0 G. Starkey 20
112 Noglow (H. Blagrave), W. Wightman, 9-0 ... — 18
114 00 Staff Sergeant (Mrs R. Francis), J. Dunlop, 9-0 D. Gillespie 5 11
116 00 Tenedale (R. Knight), F. Cundell, 9-0 ... — 14
117 42-2003 Town Farm (D. Byrne), R. Akehurst, 9-0 ... R. Fox 5 15
119 •04-33 Amy (H. Joel), H. Candy, 8-11 ... P. Waldron 6
120 00-0 Ashdown Forest (Lady G. Coleridge), Miss A. Sinclair, 8-11 T. Cain 3 19
125 00 Dulas Valley (E. Higgs), P. Makin, 8-11 ... G. Baxter 2
126 40- Incognita (Mrs F. Sasse), D. Sasse, 8-11 .. R. Edmondson 17
128 0 Lillima (R. Porter), P. Makin, 8-11 ... D. Cullen 16
137 00-00 Long Valley (Miss V. Hermon-Hodge), H. Price, 8-11 A. Murray 8
138 00-000 Low Call (Colonel Sir D. Clague), C. Benstead, 8-11 ... — 1
129 00-4233 Nae Bird (Lord Strathalmond), F. Cundell, 8-11 P. Cook 10
130 002-00 Smadari (Mrs J. Nathan), C. Benstead, 8-11 ... B. Rouse 4
131 000 Summer Wonder (F. Hunt), V. Cross, 8-11 .. P. Perkins 21
132 0 Talarea (Mrs H. Collins), M. Masson, 8-11 ... A. Bond 3 3
7-2 Amy, 9-2 Eastern Gift, 5-1 Highest, 13-2 Nae Bird, 10-1 Benefit, 12-1 Guiting Song, Town Farm, 14-1 Mr Fordette, Long Valley, 16-1 others.

2.30 ECCHINSWELL STAKES (2-y-o: £851: 6f)
201 Belfalas (Lord Rotherwick), W. Hern, 9-0 .. B. Procter 8
202 *Egalaloon (Captain D. Lemos), M. Masson, 9-0 ... — 10
203 Holyroodhouse (Queen Elizabeth), I. Balding, 9-0 G. Starkey 9
204 Ormeley (Lord H. de Walden), P. Walwyn, 9-0 ... P. Eddery 3
205 Quite Candid (G. Hanson), H. Price, 9-0 ... A. Murray 2
206 Regent Dancer (Mrs V. Kennedy), D. Hanley, 9-0 ... — 7
207 Relkino (Lady Beaverbrook), W. Hern, 9-0 ... C. Williams 6
208 Sage (Lady Chelsea), C. Bewicke, 9-0 ... J. Mercer 4
209 00 Tudor Wynk (Mrs J. Wood), A. Jarvis, 9-0 ... J. Reid 5 1
211 Index (Major M. Wyatt), H. Candy, 8-11 ... P. Waldron 5
7-4 Relkino, 3-1 Ormeley, 9-2 Holyroodhouse, 8-1 Quite Candid, 10-1 Index, 12-1 Belfalas, 14-1 others.

3.0 RIDGEWAY HANDICAP (3-y-o: £987: 1m 2f)
301 01-120 Royal Sensation (Mrs C. Bingham), P. Walwyn, 9-3 P. Eddery 2
302 321-0 Caesar's Flame (F. Monro), W. Wightman, 9-1 G. Baxter 1
303 12431-0 Right Ahead (C. Hurt), G. P.-Gordon, 9-0 .. B. Taylor 6
305 12-2130 Lacewing (A. McCall), J. Tree, 8-8 ... L. Piggott 4
306 400-313 Light Laughter (D) (Mrs R. Grosvenor), P. Nelson, 8-2 W. Carson 5
307 03021 In the Balance (R. Tikkoo), A. Breasley, 7-9 .. T. Carter 7
308 0-0201 Jeanie Duff (Mrs Abel Smith), R. van Cutsem, 7-5 R. Fox 5 3
3-1 Royal Sensation, 7-2 Lacewing, 5-1 Light Laughter, 6-1 Jeanie Duff, 13-2 Caesars Flame, 8-1 In the Balance, 12-1 Right Ahead.

3.30 HACKWOOD STAKES (£1,301: 6f)
401 2-04421 Bold Tack (D) (Olive Lady Fitzwilliam), G. W. Robinson, 4-9-4 ... P. Eddery 3
402 000110 High Award (D) (C. East), S. Supple, 4-9-4 R. Wernham 5 5
403 410020- Whoomph (C. Newland), G. Hunter, 4-9-4 ... — 2
404 021-000 Sceptred Isle (D) (Lord Petersham), J. Winter, 4-8-11 B. Taylor 1
405 142030 Creetown (D) (V. Cooper), P. Nelson, 3-8-9 B. Raymond 4
410 2112-00 Double Dart (D) (Lady Durham), W. Hern, 4-8-6 J. Mercer 7
413 112431 Rev Counter (D) (P. Myerscough), R. Annesley, 3-8-6 W. Swinburn 6
11-8 Rev Counter, 7-2 Double Dart, 5-1 Bold Tack, 7-1 Creetown, 12-1 High Award, 14-1 Sceptred Isle, 25-1 Whoomph.

4.0 ST CATHERINE'S STAKES (2-y-o: £1,322: 6f)
502 012 Solar (C) (Mrs F. Fleetwood-Hesketh), W. Wightman, 9-0 G. Baxter 8
504 41 Dove (D) (Mrs E. Holland-Martin), H. Candy, 8-13 P. Waldron 7
505 1 Dame Foolish (Lord H. de Walden), H. Cecil, 8-9 A. Bond 3 3
506 00 Apsara (A. Ezreduine), R. Hannon, 8-4 ... P. Perkins 2
508 0 Elegant Lady (Mrs R. Nelson), W. Marshall, 8-4 R. Marshall 5
510 Fall To Pieces (P. Goulandris), P. Walwyn, 8-4 P. Eddery 5
511 Handa (H. Wills), D. Hobbs, 8-4 ... C. Lewis 1
512 0 Kingmaker (A. Richards), D. Hanley, 8-4 ... M. Thomas 9
514 422 Marmora Bay (P. Mellon), I. Balding, 8-4 ... J. Mercer 6
515 0 Mountain Rescue (Mrs D. Bowles), F. Walwyn, 8-4 W. Carson 10
2-1 Dame Foolish, 7-2 Marmora Bay, 5-1 Solar, 13-2 Dove, 10-1 Fall To Pieces, Handa, 16-1 Apsara, 20-1 others.

4.30 WHITE HORSE HANDICAP (£837: 2m)
602 010-200 Realist (D) (H. Blagrave), Blagrave, 7-9-11 .. T. Rogers 10
603 204-440 Dubrovnik (H. Oppenheimer), H. Candy, 4-9-9 P. Waldron 9
604 412-200 Inventory (CD) (C. Spencer), G. Smyth, 7-9-8 C. Lewis 3
605 1214-00 Vice Squad (J. Whitney), J. Tree, 4-9-4 ... R. Elliott 8
607 330-012 Roseti (Mrs D. Riley-Smith), H. Price, 4-9-3 .. A. Murray 6
610 32-0122 Go Gracefully (D) (J. Jeavons), F. Maxwell, 4-8-11 R. Fox 5 5
611 004033 Quarrymaster (D) (Mrs B. Cropp), R. Hannon, 7-8-6 E. Eldin 1
612 403103 Banco Divin (J. Knox), C. Bewicke, 7-8-6 ... J. Reid 5 4
614 00-1044 Major Crisis (Lavinia Duchess of Norfolk), J. Dunlop, 3-7-7 D. Gillespie 2
615 2-42000 Tudor Slipper (P. Finlinson), H. Price, 3-7-7 ... M. Thomas 7
11-4 Go Gracefully, 4-1 Roseti, 11-2 Dubrovnik, 7-1 Major Crisis, 8-1 Realist, 10-1 Inventory, 12-1 Banco Divin, 14-1 others.
*Doubtful runner.

Newbury selections

By Our Racing Staff
2.0 Amy 2.30 Relkino. 3.0 Lacewing. 3.30 Bold Tack. 4.0 Dove. 4.30 Go Gracefully.
By Our Newmarket Correspondent
3.0 Jeanie Duff. 4.0 Dame Foolish.

Hamilton Park programme

7.0 LARKHALL PLATE (2-y-o: £311: 6f)
1 Coded Scrap (C. Newton), T. Fairhurst, 9-0 ... O. Gray 11
3 3003 Gemina (R. Spencer), M. H. Easterby, 9-0 ... M. Birch 3
5 04 Manhill (Mrs S. Everitt), A. Balding, 9-0 ... J. Balding 1
6 Ochil Hills Star (J. Oswald), N. Angus, 9-0 ... R. Hutchinson 6
9 Sonnenblick (P. Muldoon), G. Richards, 9-0 ... J. J. O'Neill 9
10 Street Choir (P. Parnell), Denys Smith, 9-0 P. Kelleher 1
11 0 Tyrus (T. Umpleby), P. Metcalfe, 9-0 ... J. Higgins 5
13 0304 Clarannlyn (R. Marsh), D. Weeden, 8-11 ... C. Eccleston 10
14 00 Cora (R. Swan), R. C. Ward, 8-11 ... L. C. Parkes 8
15 3 Court of Hill (C. Paxton), J. Edwards, 8-11 Ron Hutchinson 7
16 00 Matsui (K. MacPherson), T. Craig, 8-11 ... — 12
17 4 Sospecha (Dr C. Sterling), P. Rohan, 8-11 .. G. Oldroyd 2
11-10 Sospecha, 9-2 Gemina, 5-1 Court of Hill, 13-2 Clarannlyn, 8-1 Manhill, 12-1 Sonnenblick, 16-1 others.

7.25 GLASGOW PLATE (3-y-o: £311: 6f)
4 040244 Royal Darwin (CD) (Mrs G. Wood), A. Balding, 8-4 J. Balding 2
5 310-000 Vilmainder (P. White), K. Payne, 8-4 ... A. Cousins 3
6 000-030 Jamie Boy (B. Hathaway), Hbt Jones, 8-0 ... P. Kelleher 6
7 0000 Kintore (D. Buttery), J. W. Watts, 8-0 ... J. Lowe 9
8 0-00300 Quick Flash (K. Payne), Payne, 8-0 ... T. Lappin 5
9 000030 Sorbonne (A. Manning), R. C. Ward, 8-0 ... L. C. Parkes 10
10 0-43023 Swiftly (W. Blenkinsop), D. Williams, 8-0 ... C. Eccleston 7
11 040000 Anna Natasha (Mrs A. Hodge), D. Weeden, 7-11 .. E. Apter 12
12 3000-00 Call-Me-Sally (M. Rees), A. Innes, 7-11 ... — 11
15 04-0020 Gipsy Style (T. Dudley), J. Edwards, 7-11 .. S. Salmon 3 1
16 00-000u Crimon (E. Gibson), P. Metcalfe, 7-11 ... T. O'Ryan 5 4
18 00-00 Variety Act (D. Cooper), R. Richmond, 7-11 ... — 8
5-2 Swiftly, 7-2 Royal Darwin, 4-1 Jamie Boy, 6-1 Vilmainder, 8-1 Kintore, 10-1 Gipsy Style, 12-1 Sorbonne, 20-1 others.

7.55 HAMILTON CHAMPAGNE STAKES (Handicap: £829: 1m)
1 410-000 Multiple (Mrs D. Thompson), S. Wainwright, 6-9-7 T. Ives 7
5 3-31240 Aure-U-Lupi (CD) (Mrs A. Perrait), W. Gray, 6-8-13 E. Apter 3
6 0-131 Mother Brown (A. Struthers), J. Dunlop, 3-8-12 Ron Hutchinson 6
9 402230 Kithairon (C) (T. Umpleby), K. Payne, 4-8-8 ... S. Eccles 7 2
10 014041 Honey Bright (CD) (B. Richmond), Richmond, 4-8-8 ... — 3
12 01-0000 Love In May (C) (Mrs K. Philip), T. Craig, 5-8-0 K. Leason 4
13 003020 Sounds Good (Miss K. Allan), Denys Smith, 3-7-12 L. Charnock 5 1
13-8 Mother Brown, 7-2 Aure-U-Lupi, 4-1 Multiple, 8-1 Sounds Good, 10-1 Honey Bright, Kithairon, 20-1 Love in May.

8.20 WISHAW STAKES (Handicap: £429: 5f)
1 020022 Idle Dice (D) (M. Taylor), K. Payne, 3-9-7 T. Lappin 1
4 441-03 Amber Flyer (D) (Mrs J. Ducas), N. Angus, 3-8-12 R. Hutchinson 7
5 000013- Gesters Folly (CD) (G. Thorton), P. Metcalfe, 5-8-11 J. Higgins 4
6 0-00430 Golden Sleigh (CD) (G. Richards), Richards, 8-8-5 G. Duffield 2
7 000-000 Barrister (Mrs G. Weir), R. Mason, 3-8-0 ... M. Birch 5
8 0-01000 Impression (J. White), Denys Smith, 4-7-12 L. Charnock 5 8
9 020-000 Bower Club (D) (A. Balding), Balding, 5-7-11 S. Salmon 3 6
10 04-0000 Jack's Hope (C) (B. McGreevy), G. Wallace, 9-7-7 J. Lowe 3
Evens Idle Dice, 4-1 Amber Flyer, 6-1 Golden Sleigh, 8-1 Barrister, Gesters Folly, 12-1 Impression, 20-1 others.

8.50 CAMBUSLANG HANDICAP (£852: 1½m)
1 1000-00 Montien (R. Massey), Hbt Jones, 4-9-13 ... — 2
2 0-00141 Congenial (D) (W. Steels), M. H. Easterby, 5-8-13 M. Birch 1
1-3 Congenial, 5-2 Montien.

9.15 BOTHWELL PLATE (£311: 1m 3f)
3 340122 Kings Drum (CD) (D. Demetri), P. Metcalfe, 3-8-10 T. O'Ryan 5 3
5 400-301 Ashingora (D) (F. Lydall), W. Elsey, 3-8-7 S. Salmon 3 1
4 000000 Africa Star (Mrs A. Digby), A. Balding, 3-8-3 J. Balding 2
5 0-00003 Chare (R. Swan), R. C. Ward, 3-8-3 ... L. C. Parkes 5
9 00-03 Jutland (A. Struthers), J. Dunlop, 3-8-3 Ron Hutchinson 6
15 03-2d0 Water Hyacinth (Lady Macdonald-Buchanan), M. Prescott, 3-8-0 G. Duffield 4
7-4 Ashingora, 3-1 Kings Drum, 4-1 Jutland, 11-2 Water Hyacinth, 10-1 Chare, 20-1 Africa Star.

Hamilton Park selections

By Our Racing Staff
7.0 Sospecha. 7.25 Swiftly. 7.55 MOTHER BROWN is specially recommended. 8.20 Idle Dice. 8.50 Congenial. 9.15 ASHINGORA is specially recommended.

Newmarket programme

6.30 SIDE HILL HANDICAP (3-y-o: £512: 1½m)
1 0-p0200 Long Love (Dr C. Labrecciosa), R. Hanbury, 9-0 L. Piggott 4
2 00-0 Lisle's Filly (R. Driscoll), C. Dingwall, 9-0 ... T. McKeown 3
3 43-3000 Call the Police (M. Slade), G. Hunter, 8-13 ... W. Carson 6
4 00-00 The Partner (Major T. Adam), P. Nelson, 8-10 .. G. Baxter 9
5 00-0140 La Gallia (T. Mumford-Smith), P. Rohan, 8-10 .. B. Raymond 6
6 310-0 Two Time Lady (A. Young), C. Dingwall, 8-9 ... J. Lynch 11
8 00000-4 Drama Star (R. Weston), R. Sturdy, 8-5 ... J. Mercer 1
9 00-0000 London Rose (M. Downey), R. Hannon, 8-4 ... F. Durr 2
11 00-0000 Piu (Mrs M. Morley), A. Goodwill, 8-3 ... Linda Goodwill 10
12 030030 Rose Petite (R. Batten), K. Whitehead, 8-3 ... J. Skilling 7
13 00-0040 Noron (R. Manning), K. Payne, 8-2 ... M. Thomas 8
9-4 Long Love, 11-4 Two Time Lady, 4-1 La Gallia, 6-1 Call the Police, 8-1 Rose Petite, 10-1 Drama Star, 12-1 Noron, 20-1 others.

7.0 BUNBURY STAKES (3-y-o: £650: 1m)
1 203-001 School Bell (D) (Sir M. Sobell), W. Hern, 9-5 .... J. Mercer 1
2 0-2401 Viverra (D) (Lord Dunraven), H. Cecil, 9-5 ... L. Piggott 6
3 2-0 Bally's Gift (L. Freedman), N. Murless, 8-11 ... G. Lewis 8
4 0004- Bamba (R. Moller), H. Wragg, 8-11 ... — 2
7 3 Cabarita (T. Willis), R. Armstrong, 8-11 ... — 12
8 0 Cassette (Mrs W. Whitaker), R. Armstrong, 8-11 ... — 4
10 00-04 Huntingfield (Mrs D. McCalmont), P. Walwyn, 8-11 P. Eddery 11
11 0 Lora (Sir P. Oppenheimer), H. Wragg, 8-11 .. M. L. Thomas 13
15 0 Pavement Artist (H. Thomson Jones), Thomson Jones, 8-11 G. Starkey 10
16 04 Peligat (Capt M. Lemos), C. Brittain, 8-11 ... — 3
17 0-0 Petty Larceny (A. Johnstone), G. P-Gordon, 8-11 D. Maitland 7
18 00-024 Roche Noire (Mrs G. Paterson), J. Winter, 8-11 .. B. Taylor 5
19 23-30 Zelotta (Sir K. Butt), B. Hobbs, 8-11 ... G. Baxter 9
11-4 Roche Noire, 7-2 School Bell, 5-1 Viverra, 6-1 Cabarita, 8-1 Zelotta, 10-1 Huntingfield, Bally's Gift, 12-1 Bamba, 20-1 others.

7.30 LAVENHAM HANDICAP (£1,002: 6f)
1 4-40000 Alphadamus (D) (Mrs J. Mountifield), M. Stoute, 5-9-13 E. Eldin 9
3 11-0000 Shuffling (T. Corby), R. Lunness, 4-9-0 ... R. Fox 5 6
4 300000 Pericot (D) (Mrs G. Westley), T. Corbett, 6-9-0 G. Baxter 4
5 21-0 Pleasure Lane (D) (Mrs L. Schwitzer Jun), R. Armstrong, 3-8-11 .. L. Piggott 8
6 41-3420 Kiyoswanee (CD) (F. Iso), J. Winter, 4-8-8 ... B. Taylor 5
7 200400 Kings Bonus (J. Grady), R. Hollinshead, 4-8-7 K. Lewis 5 2
8 00-0100 Go Go Gunner (D) (A. Ball), J. Walker, 4-8-6 .. P. Eddery 10
9 2233-00 Great Charter (CD) (Mrs E. Culley), R. Jarvis, 7-8-5 M. Thomas 7
11 00-0030 Russian Dandy (D. Prenn), J. Winter, 6-7-12 ... M. Kettle 1
12 2-40321 Euro Star (D) (Mrs R. Tikkoo), B. Hanbury, 3-7-12 W. Carson 3
7-1 Euro Star, 11-4 Pleasure Lane, 4-1 Kiyoswanee, 6-1 Kings Bonus, 8-1 Shuffling, 10-1 Alphadamus, 12-1 Go Go Gunner, 16-1 others.

8.0 RUNNING GAP STAKES (3-y-o: 1¼m)
1 2-31111 Peter Wrekin (D) (Mrs G. Murphy), F. Maxwell, 9-8 G. Starkey 4
3 4-402b1 Toussaint (C) (Sir K. Butt), B. Hobbs, 9-5 ... G. Lewis 5
4 034211 Dred Scott (Mrs D. Hewitt), W. Hern, 9-5 ... J. Mercer 2
9 000-012 Vanua (Mrs Thomson Jones), Thomson Jones, 8-7 B. Taylor 1
10 0-300 Diaghilev (Sir P. Oppenheimer), H. Wragg, 8-3 G. Baxter 3
4-5 Peter Wrekin, 4-1 Vanua, 9-2 Dred Scott, 6-1 Toussaint, 12-1 Diaghilev.

8.30 PAMPISFORD HANDICAP (£845: 1m)
4 1-02014 London Glory (D) (D. Robinson), M. Jarvis, 4-9-8 B. Raymond 3
6 003113 Firetail (Maj D. Russell), G. Hunter, 4-9-1 ... W. Carson 2
7 1320-00 Gur Amir (CD) (S. Joel), G. P.-Gordon, 7-8-12 B. Taylor 1
9 040112 Barsheba (CD) (Mrs C. Keeling), W. Stephenson, 5-8-11 D. Ryan 5
10-11 Firetail, 11-4 London Glory, 9-2 Gur Amir, 7-1 Barsheba.

9.0 BEACON PLATE (2-y-o: £690: 7f)
3 Allentown (D. Prenn), J. Winter, 9-0 ... B. Taylor 1
4 00 Balloon (H. Loebstein), T. Corbett, 9-0 ... P. Eddery 10
6 Brookender (H. Strongward), R. Jarvis, 9-0 ... M. Thomas 4
8 200 Cornet Joyce (Mrs Thomson Jones), Thomson Jones, 9-0 G. Starkey 8
10 42 Lucastown (D. Robinson), M. Jarvis, 9-0 ... L. Piggott 6
11 Major Rama (J. Gerst), G. P.-Gordon, 9-0 ... D. Maitland 15
13 0 Napperon (Sir R. McAlpine), Doug Smith, 9-0 T. McKeown 9
16 Point Lookout (Mrs Abel Smith), B. van Cutsem, 9-0 W. Carson 14
19 0 Redshott (Mrs M. Hill), N. Gallaghan, 9-0 ... W. Hood 7
21 Take Your Place (C. d'Alessio), H. Cecil, 9-0 G. Dettori 3
22 The Flying Filly (Mrs A. Vincent), T. Molony, 8-11 G. Sexton 11
23 Heather Tops (G. Dyson), N. Callaghan, 8-11 ... J. Lynch 13
24 Pahaska (Lord Fairhaven), B. Hobbs, 8-11 ... B. Raymond 12
25 003 Skimmer (Sir T. Pilkington), B. Hobbs, 8-11 .. G. Baxter 5
26 0 Kuanu (Lady Cohen), Doug Smith, 9-0 ... E. Eldin 2
15-8 Lucastown, 100-30 Skimmer, 6-1 Take Your Place, 8-1 Point Lookout, Napperon, 12-1 Balloon, Kuanu, 16-1 Redshott, 20-1 others.

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Cycling

Thevenet again keeps rivals in their place

Chalom-sur-Saone, France, July 17.—Bernard Thevenet, of France, the firm favourite to win the Tour de France cycle marathon, prevented his main rivals from breaking away in today's nineteenth stage. Thevenet kept a close watch on the Belgians Eddy Merckx and Lucien van Impe, his main rivals for the overall lead, during the 142.5-mile stage from Thonon-les-Bains to here which was won by the Belgian, Rick van Linden in a mass sprint.

Merckx, though handicapped by a fractured cheekbone which has denied him a much-needed rest in the past 48 hours, tried several breaks but his attempts were foiled by Thevenet's team mates. In the last 12.5 miles, Thevenet stayed constantly behind Merckx's wheel while the best sprinters moved to the front to prepare for their duel. It was a packed bunch which embarked on the two closing laps of a 1.9-mile circuit. Over the last 200 yards van Linden surged past Merckx followed by the Frenchman Robert Mintkiewicz and Britain's Barry Hoban.

Merckx came in sixth in the stages to go, Merckx's chances of to ride in cautiously with the pack and finished out of the top twenty. With only three more stages to go, Merckx's chances of taking a record sixth tour victory seemed beyond hope. But the Belgian refused to renounce the race.

"I was in pretty much pain today", he said after the stage. "But I want to finish. My doctor has advised me to take antibiotics but I know that would finish my race, too."

Speaking with difficulty because of his fractured jaw, Merckx said, "I've suffered in races before but never like this. I am able to feed myself. But I cannot eat solid food." He added philosophically about his predicament: "That's cycling. I want to do my job without complaining. I try to win every race with whatever physical means I have."

STAGE 19 (142½ miles): 1, R. van Linden (Belgium), 6hr 53min 59sec; 2, R. Mintkiewicz (France); 3, B. Hoban (GB); 4, G. Karstens (Netherlands); 5, W. Godefroot (Belgium); 6, E. Merckx (Belgium). All same time.

OVERALL: 1, B. Thevenet (France), 96hr 33min 42sec; 2, E. Merckx, 96:35:45; 3, L. van Impe (Belgium), 96:37:31; 4, J. Zoetemelk (Netherlands), 96:39:40; 5, F. Gimondi (Italy), 96:45:55; 6, V. Lopez-Carril (Spain), 96:52:27. British placing: 72, Hoban, 99 14:8.—Agencies.

Yachting

Charlie Papa closing on 45 Degrees South

By John Nicholls

After 27 hours at sea, the fleet of 43 boats in the 100-mile race of the Quarter Ton Cup series at Deauville, were still plodding gamely round the course yesterday. Although at that time there were only about 15 miles left to sail, it was impossible to estimate a finishing time. There was hardly a breath of wind and the boats, faintly visible from the shore, seemed barely to be moving.

Since the start on Wednesday afternoon the wind had always been light, and heavy rain for a few hours in the evening probably ruffled the surface of the water more than did the wind. It rained yesterday afternoon and they will be wet and weary crews when they finally complete their marathon. The lock into the marina is not usable after about 8 pm so it is possible that some competitors will retire from the race to make sure of reaching their berth, rather than spend another night at sea.

A duty boat reporting on the progress of the race has had to work hard to keep abreast of events. The fleet was so spread out and some of the marks were so close together that by the time tailenders had rounded one mark, the leaders were up to the next.

However, it appeared that the Italian boat, Tuscanny Ganza, designed by Aldo Renai, and sailed by Vasco Donnini, led for most of yesterday. The overnight leader, Dollar Two (France) dropped to about ninth and there were many other place changes in the flukey conditions. The Van de Stadt design Timschal, sailed by George Nissen, from Germany, took over second place, followed by the consistent Italian boat Charlie Papa.

Paul Elvstrom in Go was fourth, with fifth place now taken by the best placed British boat, Jeremy Rogers's Hobnail. She was followed by her sister ship, the Danish entry, Shark. The other eight British boats were scattered evenly throughout the fleet, the next best placed being Needlework (Patrick Pym) lying eighteenth and Cascade (David Thomas) twenty-second.

The New Zealand boat, 45 Degrees South, sailed by Roy Dickson, which was the overall series leader after the first two races had moved up to thirteenth place after a poor start. She will still be high up in the general classification if she maintains this position, although with a points factor of one and a half for this race, her lead could be threatened. Especially if Charlie Papa were to finish the race first. She was reported to be leading at the next to last buoy and was already lying third to 45 Degrees South on overall points. Today is a rest day for the crews and their second race over an Olympic course will be held tomorrow.

THIRD RACE: 1, Go (P. Elvstrom, Sweden); 2, Toscany Ganza (V. Donnini, Italy); 3, Hobnail (J. Rogers, GB); 4, Charlie Papa (N. Carrara, Italy); 5, Shork V (J. Hovvald, Denmark); 6, Timschal (G. Nissen, Germany).

Now only Hood's Robin can do it

The second yacht home in the Transatlantic race for the Cumberland Cup arrived just after 6 am yesterday. She is the French yacht, Gitana, owned by the Baron de Rothschild and skippered by Ghislain Pillet. The timing of her arrival means she cannot now beat the first boat home—the American yacht, Kialoa—on handicap.

Kialoa, owned and skippered by John B. Kilroy, was first across the line off Portsmouth well over a day ahead of rivals. But Kialoa could still be pushed back on handicap by the American yacht, Robin, R. E. Hood's entry in the Admirals Cup team, and the smallest yacht in the race. Robin would have to cross the finishing line by three o'clock on Saturday afternoon to take the honours.

TORQUAY: National 505 championship: Fourth race void after protests. Fifth race: 1, Wild Fire (J. Loveday, Ogston); 2, Brigantes (R. Cockleigh, Lowton); 3, Poppycock 2 (P. Gaunce, Hayling Island); 4, Chauvinist (M. Platts, Felixstowe Ferry); 5, Reflection (R. Parker, Highcliff); 6, Miss X (D. Farrant, Hastings). Third race (postponed from Tuesday): 1, Wild Fire; 2, Apples (L. Marks, Weston); 3, Les Pachols (C. Ronsmans, Belgium); 4, Chauvinist; 5, Rampant Lion (P. and N. McIntyre, Helensburgh); 6, Drambuiecodan (P. Milanes, Felixstowe Ferry).

Water skiing

RUISLIP LIDO: British junior championships: Dauphin: Girls: 1, P. Roberts; 2, P. Rooke; 3, C. Crane. Boys: 1, P. Bryant; 2, R. Hulme; 3, J. West. National junior: Girls: 1, A. Pitt; 2, K. Hulme. Boys: 1, M. Hazelwood; 2, E. Palmer; 3, J. Arthur.

Science report

Relativity: Keeping babies young

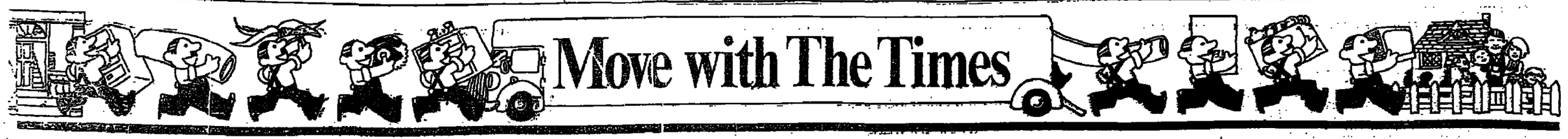
Relativity, the science of the frame of reference, has thrown up many strange and diverting predictions in the past seventy years. Light rays were predicted to bend near heavy objects (such as the Sun); measuring rods and particles moving near the speed of light were predicted to shrink and gain mass respectively when viewed by observers travelling at less exotic speeds. And perhaps the best known prediction was that a person travelling in a spaceship near the speed of light would find on return to the Earth that he had aged less than his twin who had lived a "normal" life. Now Professor Thomas Gold of Cornell University has given another playful relativistic recipe for staying young, without any need for spaceship travel.

A clock will run slow if it is in a region with high gravitational potential, that is to say, close to large masses. If the heavy masses are placed exactly symmetrically, however, the clock will be in "unstable equilibrium": provided it is not disturbed it will stay put. An analogy can be made with trying to put a pan of water down on a mountainside. Normally it will tip over and the water will run downhill, but if the pan is placed exactly at the top it will not spill if undisturbed.

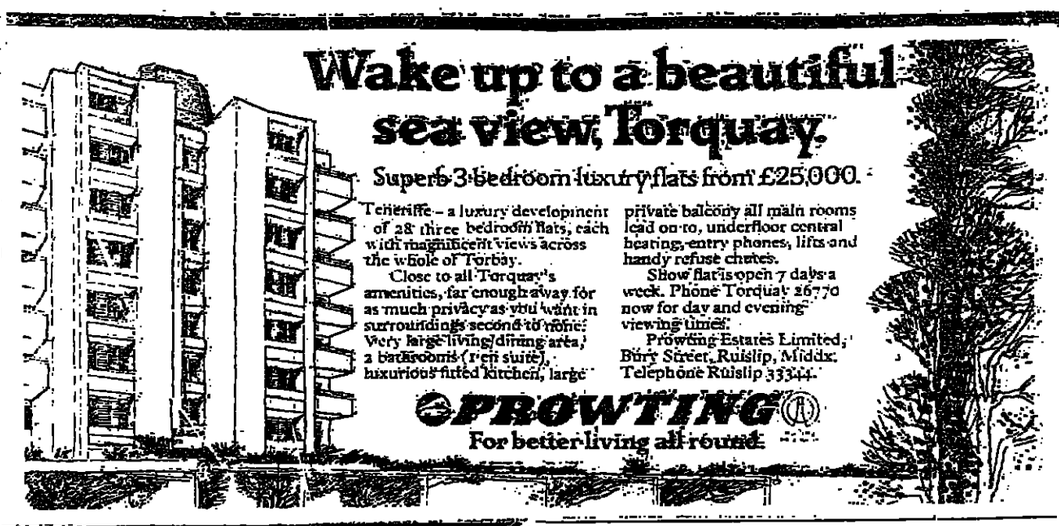
Professor Gold does some dressing up of the relativity. A mother wishes her baby to stay young, so each night while the baby is asleep she surrounds it (obviously with the help of accomplices) with heavy masses, disposed symmetrically. The masses are removed before the favoured child awakes in the morning. Unfortunately (and Professor Gold gives no guidance here) since the baby will have spent the night in an environment in which time is running more slowly, it will hardly have had a good night's sleep by morning, so the mother will have to decide whether to have an irascible child on her hands or to let it sleep on into the day and move in and out of step with the rest of the world during its childhood.

Many of relativity's predictions have now been verified by research in astronomy, on cosmic rays and by experiments at particle accelerators. This one is less likely to be tested, as the masses involved are substantial. Even for the modest objective of making 10 hours seem like nine, a mass roughly equivalent to a thousand Earths would have to be compacted in a shell a few metres thick around the crib. Maybe a spaceship travelling close to the velocity of light is as likely a proposition.

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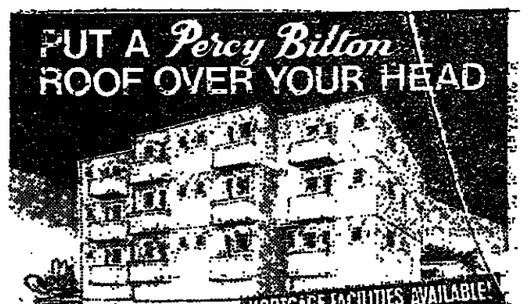
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Is a cottage worth it?

The wonderful, crazy days of the leisure home market, when crowds of the more or less well-heeled poured into the countryside at weekends, estate agents' lists in hand, have departed. The fist of the Chancellor of the Exchequer has squashed that particular inflationary meringue flat, with the withdrawal of fiscal concessions.

Three years ago, estate agents were describing a constant clamour for country houses and cottages, particularly those with some amenity land, such as a paddock for grazing children's ponies or a big enough acreage to let to an adjoining farmer. Those houses with easy access to motorways were fetching top prices, and wealthy Londoners and Midlands businessmen were forcing up the prices for near-derelict cottages to a rising chorus of complaint, taking full advantage of improvement grants and the tax relief on borrowed money.

The situation is very different today. Estate agents all over the country report that the second-homes market is stone dead. Nevertheless, now that the will o' the wisp of enormous paper profits for the fast-moving has faded away, there are still solid attractions in buying a cottage for leisure weekends.

It is a venture which is most appealing in middle age: professional people have the substantial income which can stand the burden, and very often relatively minimal repayments left outstanding on their own house. Furthermore, the prospect of eventual retirement is slowly coming into focus after 40.

There is some appeal in the thought of hunting out a pleasant weekend home, by the sea or in the country, getting to know the area and the local community, perhaps letting out the house from time to time, and finally retiring gracefully and permanently into rural seclusion.

Can it still be done? There are a number of financial points to watch, including the problem of letting. From the point of view of obtaining finance, and not being saddled with endless maintenance or renovation costs, the best plan is to buy a new house or flat. However, no one is building thatched cottages any more, and new homes tend to be less picturesque, except at the very top of the market. House-building is also in the doldrums at present: the grandiose project at Brighton, for example, to build towers of flats under the cliffs and above the new marina, does not have any specific date in sight.

Building societies are very shy of lending money for a second home. They do not feel secure having money in a property which is not going to be continuously occupied and they react with positive alarm to unconventional dwellings like houseboats or converted windmills. These are bigger considerations than the age of the property: it is less difficult than many people imagine to get a loan, if fairly small, on a sound older property.

It used to be a moderately common practice for determined shoppers around among building societies to raise a new mortgage for a second home, or a second mortgage on their existing home to pay for a cottage. Not only are building societies rationing funds now, with little visible prospect of change, but the tax relief on second home loans has been abolished, and the relief on second mortgages unless they are for improving your first property.

This means that, even if funds can be prised out of a building society or insurance company, they will not be cheap. The normal repayment rate for a 30-year mortgage is £9.59 a month, on an interest rate of 11 per cent, a £1,000 borrowed. While it may be possible to recoup some of the cost through letting, anything other than the most plainly short-term holiday renting plan will also make building societies nervous. They fear difficulties in repossession if they ever have to foreclose.

Obviously, what a second home is going to cost will vary enormously, according to age, proximity to the sea or other amenities, and state of repair. It was an interesting indicator, however, of the inflationary plateau on which country cottages still tend to rest, that a recent nationwide survey of farm cottages made by the Tavistock Institute discovered farmers estimated the median market value of their cottages to be around £10,000.

Just as last year's spring budget put a stop to tax relief on weekend homes, so the 1974 Housing Act put a stop to the obtaining of improvement grants to renovate second homes, unless you go and live there for good.

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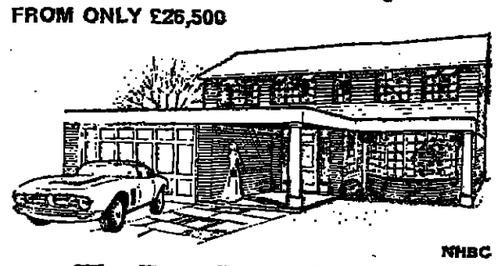
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THE ARTS

Election biography

Clarence Darrow
Piccadilly

Charles Lewsen

There are two essential elements in theatre, actor and audience, all else is luxury; and I know that my greatest theatrical excitement has been derived from those gladiatorial events when I have seemed to see a performer, alone, unaided, reveal his very soul, pour out his guts in the imaginative adventure.

It's a dangerous business; the artist must court absurdity. What could be more ridiculous than a man of 70 pretending to be a boy of 23? Yet last year at the Old Vic, wearing a dinner jacket, John Gielgud became Hamlet, pouring forth a torrent of adolescent self-disgust. What could be less worthy than a middle-aged man's compulsion to pull faces and make 2,000 people laugh every seven seconds? Yet Ken Dodd's nightly challenge to himself and his audience is an exultant experience.

The quiet spoken Henry Fonda is not, I suspect, an artist *of theatrical daring; but the* text that David W. Rintels has prepared for him is hardly the occasion for revelation or catharsis. Based on Irving Stone's biography of the lawyer who defended Eugene Debs, John T. Scopes, Loeb and Leopold, it is composed as a series of reminiscences by the aged Clarence Darrow who, in the person of Mr Fonda, relates his career with about as much circumstance as Marlene Dietrich narrating hers.

In fact, with Mr Fonda periodically climbing to the bar of H. R. Poindexter's multiple set to deliver yet another defence of an underdog or attack on humbug and ignorance, it is rather like songs from the shows, and when, pursuing a doggedly chronological course, Mr Fonda skipped from the defence of Pennsylvania miners to the cross-examination of William Jennings Bryan on evolution, I thought we were to be denied the greatest of his hits. However, for a reprise, as it were, he ended with the final paragraphs of the mitigation of Loeb and Leopold, signing off with the quotation from *Omar Khayyam*, and all was well.

Mr Fonda has the slouch and the drawl; he also has an easy *buttonholing manner*; and it *is* a pity he is in a theatre that suits so poorly his intimate style. It is also a pity that John Houseman has him moving around from area to area, each move signalled by the activity of Mr Poindexter's busy lighting plot. Mr Fonda is quite capable of giving the whole show from an easy chair; and in the anecdotal terms of the *piece*, the performance would benefit from such simplicity of production.

However, the real trouble is that the text is undramatic because unrevealing. Darrow's compassion for Negroes and trades unionists is not contrasted with his bigotry concerning women. We learn nothing of his appetite for money (in his heyday in the Thirties, he got through 20,000 dollars a year), nor of his stock exchange gambles. A British audience gets no indication that the patron who gave Darrow his first appointment in Chicago was anything but a paragon of political virtue. It would also help audiences here to know that Chautauqua, where Darrow made 500 dollars a night in debate or public lecture, was a travelling tent show—it is as if the Attorney General, down on his luck, were to appear in a cross between the Eamonn Andrews Show and Bertram Mills Circus.

It is all rather like an election biography; as such, it is a poor tribute to a man whose greatness lay in his understanding that human beings are compounded from paradox.

In the circumstances, it is not surprising that only in the last 15 minutes, with a canny account of how to pick a jury, does Mr Fonda inject wholehearted zest into the proceedings.

Albert Herring
Royal College of Music

William Mann

One might suppose that the period comedy of village squirearchical life in Benjamin Britten's *Albert Herring*, and particularly the representation of elderly people, would make it an unsuitable opera for young students. It has compensating virtues for a youthful cast, nevertheless, as Douglas Craig's production this week at the RCM suggests.

The vocal music lies well on young voices, challenging but never straining them; there is no chorus but a number of elaborate ensembles that help a cast to act as well as sing together. Some of the roles are difficult to characterize effectively, others well suited to student performers.

Wednesday's cast (there are some changes for tonight's performance) showed, in Richard Brabrooke, that an intelligent singing actor can succeed as Albert without owning a large tenor voice: this one progressed fluently from studious introversion, through high spirits to charm and outgoing sociability, and he found the kernel of the nocturnal monologue without raising his voice—he reserved full power for the end of the opera. As Florence Pike, Sally Presant ranged splendidly from weakness to scorn, all with lovely mezzo singing.

Patricia Richards, again, turned herself into formidable Lady Billows, personally and vocally, even if she could not keep up a grumpy face. Paul Burrows's Vicar conveyed unctuous middle-age with skill, whereas Susan Smyth-Tyrrell, blessed with a lovely voice and a delightful stage personality, could not begin to suggest the sour, bedraggled scold who caused her son's revolt. The younger parts, especially Patrick Wilkes's brazen Sid and Sheila Donovan's outrageous Cissie, went predictably well.

Mr Craig's production keeps the action effervescent, with some exaggerations inevitable (and perhaps beneficial) in an opera school performance. Gerald Kitching's sets look pleasant and move swiftly at the expense of setting the first scene improbably out of doors. The orchestral music is most difficult of all, the textures so intricate and exposed; some of it sounded tentative or hectic under Richard Austin, but the attempt was a brave one.

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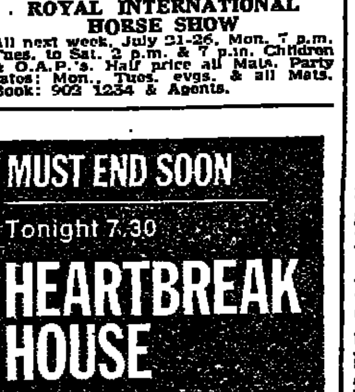
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Michael Medwin and Betty Marsden — Photograph by Donald Cooper

Appeal case for Orton play

What the Butler Saw
Royal Court

Irving Wardle

The final production in the Court's Joe Orton season is in the nature of an appeal case. First seen six years ago in the West End, *What the Butler Saw failed* signally to capitalize on its author's recent death, and was soon withdrawn. Since then, the idea has taken root that Robert Chetwyn's production was to blame. An obvious comparison was drawn with Orton's *Loot*, which folded on its provincial tour and went on to score in London under a different director. Similarly revived, so its supporters argued, *What the Butler Saw* would stand revealed as Orton's masterpiece.

To some extent, their hopes are now fulfilled. Less showily cast than the original, Lindsay Anderson's production is a vastly superior piece of work. As I recall them, the first company were divided between those who scrambled through the text like under-rehearsed Whitehall farceurs, and those who detached themselves from it with embarrassed dignity. At the Court, the play is most meticulously paced. No matter how swiftly it moves, or how many half-clothed bloodstained figures are tearing across the set, there is never any sense of hurry. All the effects are precisely planted, and there is always time to register them. Much of the evening is deliriously funny.

So far, I am glad to eat my words on the 1969 production; but the main reservations persist. *What the Butler Saw* followed *Loot* as another study in social reversal. Where *Loot* shows crooks running the police, its companion piece shows the mental health service staffed by madmen. No need to labour the obvious element of truth in both those observations. But there is a difference between them. In taking on the police, Orton was challenging a real taboo; whereas psychoanalysts, at least on the British stage, are already figures of fun.

More important, in *Loot* he discovered a target and a method; whereas in the later play there is the sense of working within an existing formula. In place of the sense of anger and outrage, it substitutes free-wheeling farcical invention and technical novelties, such as the last-minute caging of the set and the ascent to heaven. Meanwhile, Orton appears to be looking round for other British idols, like Winston Churchill, to demolish in addition to his pulverized main target.

There is also the question of the type of corruption involved. That presented no problem in *Loot*; crime is crime. But what is madness? There is no shortage of conventional turpitude in Dr Prentice's private clinic, where deviations from transvestism to lesbian witchcraft flourish like Venus fly-traps under glass. But there is nothing very mad about what all these people want.

Dr Prentice wants to seduce his new secretary, and conceals this intention like a dull-grabbing suburban husband. His wife wants to resume her conjugal rights. Even the demoniacal Dr Rance ("I represent HM Government, your immediate superiors in madness") wants to lay his hands on some attractive young flesh and publish a best-seller on incest. Corrupt, yes; mad, no.

The figure of Rance completes the equation with *Loot*, as the opposite number to Truscott of the Yard. Truscott is as great a comic character as the English stage has produced since the war. Besides his verbal style, he is a full flesh and blood presence. With Dr Rance we are left only with the verbal brilliance; the capacity for translating commonsense remarks into schizophrenic symptoms and finding cogent reasons for committing everyone in sight. Otherwise, he is simply a standardized authority figure turned inside out.

Having said that, I must add that he coaxes the best stage performance I have ever seen Valentine Dyall give. It is partly a farcical reprise of The Man in Black, coupled with a Mephistophelean energy and high-pressure comic attack well beyond his usual range. Of the others, Betty Marsden cultivates a husky authority as the wife, maintaining an exact balance between exotic malpractices and conventional rectitude; and Michael Medwin phases the stages of Prentice's humiliation and panic so that he always has new depths to which to fall. Connoisseurs of farce should visit the show if only for the sake of Mr Medwin's repeated agonies with a handful of underwear and a vase of flowers.

The piece is set by Jocelyn Herbert on a devilish trick stage suggesting a Gothick folly built by a religious maniac and expensively converted on a Health Service grant.

In reviewing Wolfgang Bauer's *Ghosts* on Wednesday, I gave the misleading impression that Bauer's compatriot, Peter Handke, is German. Both playwrights were born in Austria.

St. Exupery fable becomes musical

David Robinson

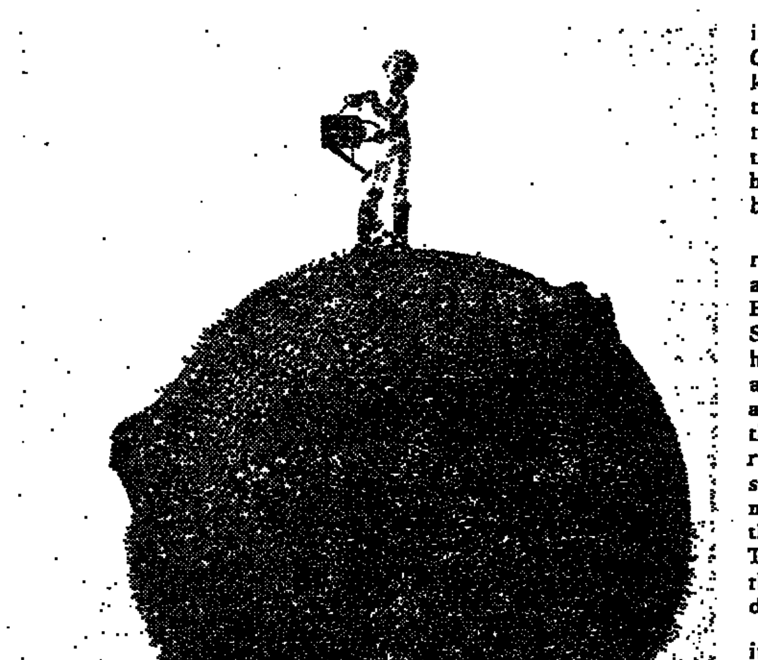
The Little Prince (u)
Plaza 2
Doc Savage (a)
Warner West End 2
Hennessy
Empire

A friend who combines a ranging knowledge of movie history with second sight warned me recently: "Wait and see: as well as the horrors and catastrophes and shock films people are now going to want fairy tales"; and he added oracularly: "When did they film *The Blue Bird?*"

It is true that *The Blue Bird*, with the message of its tale of two children who search this and other worlds only to find that true happiness lies within themselves, was first produced in Russia in 1909, between two revolutions, and in a society playing hopelessly for time. It was filmed by Gaumont in 1910 after its first stage appearance in France; then in America at the turn of 1917-18. When it was again remade in America it was 1939 going on 1940, with another European war raging. And currently, when most of us are at least as apprehensive about our own world as at any of those periods, George Cukor is battling to film Maeterlinck's fable again, in the Soviet Union.

This is the moment, too, chosen to film Antoine de St Exupery's fable about a man who comes face to face with his own innocence in a world of fairy tale. *The Little Prince* was written in 1943, at the height of the war and a few months before St Exupery himself was shot down in action. Paradoxically, with reality bearing down so close, this was a flight into areas as mystical-whimsical as the worlds of Maeterlinck and the latter-day symbolists.

A test pilot, forced down in the Sahara desert, is accosted in the wilderness by a solitary tiny boy, dressed in great-coat, boots and sword. As the Little Prince relates his adventures on the way from his own small planet (with nothing on it but the rose he loves and three volcanoes to be stoked), the pilot rediscovers the wisdom denied to those who have left behind the innocence of childhood. When the pilot has repaired his plane and is about to leave, the Little Prince decides to take the road back to his own planet—death. Before departing (to leave the pilot to awake from hallucination) the Little Prince confides the great secret imparted to him by a shy fox: "It's only with the heart that one sees clearly. What is essential is invisible to the eyes."



On top of his world: Steven Warner in The Little Prince

The script and score are the first collaboration of Frederick Loewe and Alan Jay Lerner since *Camelot* and Loewe's temporary retirement due to ill-health; and it is Stanley Donen's first musical as producer-director since *Damn Yankees* (1958). With never more than two characters on screen at once, this quiet, intimate musical is a long way either from earlier Lerner-Loewe collaborations (*Brigadoon, My Fair Lady, Paint Your Wagon*) or from the Donen of *On the Town, Singin' in the Rain* or *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*.

This intimacy, with the consequent lack of variation in the scale of the musical set pieces, presents its own problems, and finally gives the film its rather disjointed air. The Little Prince's encounters are described episodically, and a certain monotony of tone is not altogether compensated for by variation (which looks more like inconsistency) of style. Individual sequences are polished and excellent: some unfathomably good special effects work as the Little Prince trots all around his little globe, keeping his foothold by private gravity; marvellously effective use of distorting lenses in the sequence with Clive Revill as a cosmic capitalist; quick and witty juxtapositions of animal and man to turn Gene Wilder into the gentle, frightened fox ("You *must* have a gun. You're a human being").

Yet it all tends to look rather like a sample book of alternative possibilities. Bob Fosse's self-choreographed Snake is ingenious, but somehow out of key with the rest, and a show-slower rather than an actual slow-stopper. And there seems to be no earthly reason why Richard Kiley should suddenly be asked to make one number out of all the others, a pastiche of early Thirties crooning. There is all through an odd lack of determination.

If anything contributes to integrate the whole thing, it is the figure of the Little Prince himself, solemn and unpatronizing in the sure wisdom of innocence, dogged and undefeated, stumping across the desert or through the cosmos in his little boots, greatcoat and sword. He is played by a tiny English boy called Steven Warner, still with his milk teeth, without a trace of self-consciousness or precociousness, and with an artlessness that triumphs even over the sentimentalities of the end, and the promise (very symbolist) that his laughter will shimmer down upon the pilot from the stars.

What richer source of fairy tales has there ever been than American comic books? *Doc Savage*, Kenneth Robeson's superman crusader against crime and evil, made his first appearance at the height of the Depression era in 1933, and continued to hearten the youthful American population until 1945 and the end of the Second World War. Commenting on the revival of Doc Savage, with Bantam Books well under way with reprinting the 181 volumes of his adventures, *Time* magazine called him "a fun-house mirror of the America that loved him and apparently still does—a big square Joe with the body of Charles Atlas, the brain of Thomas Edison and the implacable innocence of Mickey Mouse. Everything about him is superlative . . . the handsomest, smartest . . . a giant body . . . a strength superhuman."

George Pal, whose expertise in realizing science fiction goes back 25 years to *Destination Moon*, has produced what promises to be only the first film episode of Doc Savage's adventures, directed by Michael Anderson. They've got the look of it very right; the golden, doll-like symmetry of Savage (played by Ron Ely, a former television Tarzan), the knockabout antics of his five stooges, the strict two-dimensionality of all the characters; the Thirties decor and city streets, the cartoon-edged fantasy of Doc's science.

The film-makers are less confident about their own position between *belief* and a certain archness of satire; and indecision weakens the effect at either level. It is a mistake, too, to start off with too large a dose of Doc Savage: 104 minutes of his self-confidence are rather a lot of a good thing.

Reluctantly it must be admitted that *Hennessy*, directed by Don Sharp, is an effective sub-Hitchcock thriller, even going so far in its homage to the old master as to stage its grand finale in a real-life location—the Houses of Parliament during the Queen's State Opening. Reluctantly—because the Irish tragedy seems altogether too grave a matter to be diminished and neutralized in the audience's minds by being made the stuff of an ingenious but politically unsophisticated thriller.

Hennessy (Rod Steiger in full rampage) is a non-violent Irish patriot who sees his wife and seven-year-old daughter shot down in a Belfast skirmish between rioters and British soldiers. He makes for London with a mad plan to turn himself into a human bomb and gain entry to the State Opening disguised as an MP. Both the IRA and the Special Branch have their own reasons for frustrating his plans, whatever violence may be necessary.

The film is scripted by Richard Johnson, who also plays the rough policeman with experience in the Belfast field. A rather smart cast also includes Lee Remick, Trevor Howard and Eric Porter, to say nothing of the Queen, Prince Philip and sundry other members of the Royal Family who unwittingly are made to participate in the melodrama, and are unfairly made to win laughs they never intended.

PARLIAMENT, July 17, 1975

Both sides want to see draft of Bill to back up pay restraint

House of Commons

MRS MARGARET THATCHER, Leader of the Opposition (Barnet, Finchley, C), after the business statement indicating a two-day debate next week on the White Paper *The Attack on Inflation*, said: As the Prime Minister often answers questions on the counter-inflation White Paper by reference to a Bill containing reserve powers, will we have a sight of that Bill before we debate the White Paper? (Conservative cheers.)

She also asked if it was necessary to take the remaining stages of the Remuneration, Charges and Grants Bill in one day after the second reading.

MR SHORT, Lord President of the Council (Newcastle upon Tyne, Central, Lab), said it was asking a great deal of the House to take the remaining stages in one day but he felt this should be done in view of the importance and urgency of the measure.

As to the Bill containing reserve powers (he said) this is in draft. We hope it will never be introduced. If it became necessary—we hope it will not—the Bill will be introduced.

MRS THATCHER—May we not see the draft of the Bill which will be relevant to the debate? (Conservative cheers.)

MR SHORT—I do not think any useful purpose would be served, because this Bill is not part of the White Paper. (Conservative protests.) It is not part of the anti-inflation plans and there is no intention of putting the Bill through the House at present. I hope there never is.

MR THORPE, Leader of the Liberal Party (North Devon, L)—The Prime Minister referred to the possibility of reserve powers being prepared by the Government. This represents a major departure. He should let us see what these powers are. For many of us what is in these reserve powers is highly relevant to the view we take on the White Paper and the Bill next week. (Cheers.)

MR SHORT—I think everyone knows what the Bill contains. (Conservative cries of "No".) This has been made clear. We hope the Bill will never be necessary, but if it is necessary at any time it will be published.

He added that the Bill did not become a state paper until it was tabled.

MR PETER WALKER (Worcester, C)—As the White Paper says that the draft Bill has been prepared, and as the Leader of the Opposition and the Leader of the Liberal Party have both requested that we should have a sight of this, why does the Lord President not want us to have a sight? (Cheers.)

MR SHORT—It is not that I do not want the House to have a sight of it. This is a Government Bill which has not yet been introduced. We have been honest with the House and country and told them this Bill has been prepared. I will convey to the Prime Minister what Mrs Thatcher has said. I will pass on her request.

MR CYRIL SMITH (Rochdale, L)—The Lord President has said that MPs know what is in a Bill which has not been published, but at least some of us do not know what is in the Bill. (Conservative cheers.)

Why does he presume that we know what is in an unpublished Bill?

MR SHORT—I have said I would pass on the Leader of the Opposition's request to the Prime Minister.

MRS AUDREY WISE (Coventry, South-West, Lab)—Will he bear in mind that acceptance of the White Paper seems to imply acceptance of this unpublished Bill. Many Labour MPs are completely dissatisfied with the notion that we can accept something sight unseen. (Cheers.) Will Mr Short add our request when he speaks to the Prime Minister? It may be we shall be called back during the recess. It will be completely unsatisfactory for us to rush back to pass this Bill hastily—a Bill which we have not seen. (Cheers.)

MR SHORT—Neither the Prime Minister nor I have any doubts about Mrs Wise's views.

MR KERSHAW (Stroud, C), on a point of order, asked whether, when an unpublished Bill or document of that importance was referred to, not merely in passing, but as a matter of argument, it was not the custom that it should be laid before the House.

The SPEAKER (Mr Selwyn Lloyd)—The rule, I think, is that the document has to be quoted from before it has to be laid. I will consider the matter and if I wish to depart from that preliminary view I shall let Mr Kershaw know.

Home Secretary defends revised scheme for handling complaints against the police

MR ROY JENKINS, Home Secretary, defended his revised scheme, announced on Tuesday, for the consideration and handling of complaints against the police. He was answering MR HOOLEY (Sheffield, Heeley, Lab), who asked about the independent investigation of such complaints.

MR HOOLEY said in certain respects the new scheme was extremely disappointing to Labour MPs. An independent element of investigation of complaints was not enough. What is required (he went on) is an independent system whose integrity and independence of the police must be absolute if confidence in this particular aspect of the investigation is to be accepted by the public.

MR JENKINS—No. I would not agree. It has been entirely desirable to introduce an independent element which I believe has been effectively done and which goes well beyond the scheme, though that was a considerable advance on anything hitherto proposed, put forward by Mr Robert Carr.

An independent element has to be real and effective, but in a position in which over 17,000 complaints have to be dealt with each year, I have to have regard to what is administratively practical and what is compatible with the functioning of an effective police service, combined with the reasonable investigation of those complaints which are serious.

After deep consideration and discussion of this matter I have struck a reasonable balance. It would not be right to go on without an effective and fully independent element. It would equally not be right to erect a procedure in which a police force was hardly able to function as a police force but was entirely a body for investigating or assisting in investigating complaints.

MR BEITH (Berwick on Tweed, L)—Will he spell out the position of a constable who feels a malicious complaint has been made against him?

MR JENKINS—It is important that a constable should have certain protection against malicious complaints. It is already possible for prosecutions to be taken under the 1967 Criminal Justice Act but I have also indicated that I think that in general chief officers of police should follow the practice which already applies in about a third of the police areas and, unless there are compelling reasons for the contrary, let the constable complained about see the complaint.

MR WHITEHEAD (Derby, North, Lab)—I commend him for standing up to pressure from police authorities that they should become the independent element. This would be unsuitable. Is he satisfied in the revised outline proposals that every complaint will come before the commission without the complainant at each stage having to make the running himself, including cases where the DPP has recommended that there should not be a prosecution?

Why is it unsuitable for police to have recourse to the commission just as everyone else has when they have a complaint made against them?

MR JENKINS—He is right in saying police authorities would not have been suitable independent authorities. They have an important role to play but I do not think they would have satisfied the House as being independent authorities for the purposes we are dealing with here.

The position in relation to the commission and the DPP is that if a case is referred to the DPP for possible prosecution and he decides to prosecute, that is one thing, and settles the matter. If he decides not to prosecute then it is not, and has not been, the case that for exactly that offence there can be any question of disciplinary proceedings. That could not be breached without breaching the important principle of double jeopardy.

But it may well be that there would be an affront of police disciplinary proceedings. That could be taken up by the deputy chief constable and there would be the full right of the commission coming in.

I will examine his last point before the legislation but I have not received any representations on this from the Police Federation.

Next week's business

Business in the House of Lords will be:

MONDAY: Industry Bill, committee stage.
TUESDAY: Industry Bill, committee stage. Motion to take note of EEC committee report.
WEDNESDAY: Motion to take note of the BNOC. Social Security Pensions Bill, third reading. Statutory Corporations (Financial Provisions) Bill, committee stage.
THURSDAY: Industry Bill and Child Benefit Bill, committee stage. Safety of Sports Grounds Bill, consideration of Commons amendments.
FRIDAY: Industry Bill, committee stage.

Business in the House of Commons will be:

MONDAY: Motion to approve Attack on Inflation White Paper.
TUESDAY: Motion to approve Attack on Inflation White Paper. Motions on members' pay and allowances.
WEDNESDAY: Remuneration, Charges and Grants Bill, second reading. Lotteries Bill, consideration of Lords amendments. Limitation Bill and Public Service Vehicles (Arrest of Offenders) Bill, remaining stages. Motion on Rate Support Grant (Increase) Order.
THURSDAY: Remuneration, Charges and Grants Bill, remaining stages.
FRIDAY: Consideration of EEC documents on CAP and fisheries policy.

Parliamentary notices

House of Commons

Today at 11.00: Policyholders Protection Bill, second reading. Motion on Civil Aviation (Air Travel Organisers' Licensing) (Reserve Fund) Regulations.

Review of part of prison rules

MR KILROY-SILK (Ormskirk, Lab) asked whether the Home Secretary had any plans to change the prison rules.

MR ROY JENKINS—I am reviewing certain aspects of the treatment of prisoners and restrictions on their communication with non-prisoners. I will announce the result of this review when completed.

MR KILROY-SILK—Would he consider making provision for prisoners to be legally represented in a court when they are charged with an in-prison offence which carries with it the loss of remission and accept that the loss of liberty, in some cases for several months, ought to be determined by a judicial and not a prison authority?

MR JENKINS—No. I do not think I could accept that. To introduce a judicial procedure into any in-prison punishment would be cumbersome. I would consider any question he puts to me. In the position in which the courts are jammed up at present, to remove from non-judicial procedure the award of any punishment within a prison would be a difficult thing to do.

MR DOUGLAS-MANN (Merton, Mitcham and Morden, Lab)—A prisoner suffering from a legitimate sense of grievance is more likely to become a permanent enemy of society that one who has been justly treated.

The decision of the Court of Human Rights with regard to communication of prisoners with MPs and lawyers should be implemented.

Does he consider that the evidence disclosed and admitted at the Birmingham bomb trial would have come to light if the prisoners concerned had not been awaiting trial but had been convicted prisoners denied access to lawyers?

MR JENKINS—On the last point, this is as sub-judice as anything could be at present. It would clearly be inappropriate for me to comment on that. On the general proposition that it is desirable to treat prisoners justly, I entirely agree. There are certain questions which have to be reviewed. I hope to announce the conclusions of the review before the recess.

MR NELSON (Chichester, C)—Will he consider including among the things the review body will consider, the basic right of people in prison to write to their MP unfettered by the power of censorship which exists at present under prison rules?

MR JENKINS—I am anxious to reduce the power of censorship. The only valid reason for the power of censorship in writing to MPs, is that it is important that prisoners should go through the proper procedure of making complaints internally before they write outside. I do not think it would be possible to operate a prison system otherwise.

MR MIKARDO (Tower Hamlets, Bethnal Green and Bow, Lab)—Is it right that a letter from a prisoner to his lawyers goes without censorship only after a decision has been made by the prisoner to enter into litigation? Often the correspondence which passes between a prisoner and his lawyer on questions of deciding whether there should be litigation is even more sensitive than that which passes after the decision.

Should not the prisoner have a right of free consultation with his lawyers to decide whether or not he wants to enter into litigation?

MR JENKINS—He may well have a point there. I will happily consider that, as it is being considered as part of the review. It would be possible for a prisoner to use communication with lawyers to get round a number of prison rules in a way that would not be desirable, but I see some force in what he has said.

Magna Carta on loan to US as bicentenary gesture of friendship

MR EDWARD SHORT, Lord President of the Council and Leader of the House (Newcastle upon Tyne, Central, Lab), moved:

"That a humble Address be presented to her Majesty, praying that her Majesty will give directions that, to mark the bicentennial celebrations of the United States of America, there be made, on behalf of Parliament to the Congress of the United States, as representative of the American people, a loan for one year of one of the two original copies of Magna Carta dated 1215 AD and held by the British Library; that a permanent showcase be presented to the Congress for the display of the document, and that the document be replaced at the end of the loan period by a replica; that the presentation be made by representatives from both Houses of Parliament: and assuring her Majesty that this House will make good the expenses attending the same."

He said that if the House accepted, arrangements would be made for a delegation from both Houses to make a presentation. He hoped it would be early next summer.

The appropriate way of marking the occasion would be to make available on loan for a year to America one of the copies of Magna Carta at present in the British Library. A permanent showcase would be presented to Congress for the document and the copy would be replaced, at the end of the year, by a replica.

Because of its value, special arrangements would be made for its transport and security.

In addition to this, a bell would be presented to the American people, to be hung in Philadelphia. There would also be a joint programme of fellowships in the creative and performing arts.

He commended the motion as an expression of friendship and goodwill to the Congress and people of the United States of America on the occasion of their bicentenary.

MR MAUDLING, Opposition spokesman on foreign and Commonwealth affairs (Barnet, Chipping Barnet, C), said he commended the motion on behalf of the Opposition. It was right that the House should mark the occasion. The gifts chosen were appropriate with reference to the common heritage of democratic government.

MR THORPE, Leader of the Liberal Party (North Devon, L), said it was a privilege to be associated with the motion. It came as a continuing surprise that it was 200 years since the United States had decided to go it alone.

MR FERNYHOUGH (Jarrow, Lab) said that the part played by Thomas Paine in drawing up the American constitution when he was not well regarded by the establishment in England, should be recognized.

MR CRAWFORD (Perth and East Perthshire, Scot Nat) said that as many Scots had been associated with the establishment of the United States, he wished to join with other parties in commending the motion.

MR STOKES (Halesowen and Stourbridge, C)—While I am in no way opposed to the motion, I hope we will never forget those Americans who, during the rebellion, were still loyal to the Crown of England. (Laughter.)

MR FAULDS (Warley, East, Lab) said it had been suggested to him in America that a Henry Moore statue should be considered as one of the British gifts.

I really would think (he said) that something like that would be rather more suitable than a bell.

The motion was carried.

LORD SHEPHERD, Lord Privy Seal, moved a similar motion in the Lords.

He said special arrangements would need to be made for the document's transport and security. In lieu of an assurance, the Government had agreed to give a guarantee to the British Library, who held the document, that parliamentary authority would be sought to make good any damage up to £1.5m.

The motion was agreed to.

Pay rise 'leak' ruling

The SPEAKER (Mr Selwyn Lloyd) said that without expressing any general opinion on leakages of information and the rules of privileges, he did not think the matter raised with him yesterday (about a leakage of information on the Government recommendation for increases in MPs' pay) was such as in this connexion to justify him giving the matter precedence over the business already set down for today.

Cheap post plan for Christmas cards

House of Lords

LADY BURTON of COVENTRY (Lab) asked the Government, in view of the increased postal rates, both actual and proposed, to ask the Post Office to consider the issue of a cheap stamp for Christmas cards, provided these were posted by a certain date.

[illegible] State for Industry—The production of any such scheme would be a matter for the Post Office, who I know have given the suggestion careful thought in the past. It would not be appropriate for the Government to press the Post Office over a concession at this time. I will ensure this proposal is passed on.

LADY BURTON—If we had a cheap Christmas stamp, the Post Office would stand to receive millions of pounds of profits from it—revenue they sorely need.

LORD BESWICK—As to the calculation that the total revenue from the present postage rate would be less than the total from the Christmas card traffic at the lower rate, my own view is that Lady Burton is probably right. The difficulty about the scheme she originally put forward was the difficulty of abuse and of telling what was a Christmas card and what was not.

Later he said: There is an aspect of this that merits further consideration, and I will see that consideration is given to it.

Help for poor families

LORD WELLS-PESTELL, Lord in Waiting, moving the second reading of the Child Benefits Bill, said it would extend the benefit of cash allowance to about 4,500,000 families, and to about three million single-child parents.

Poorer families who had not been able to take advantage of the child tax allowances in full—if at all—would in future be able to do so, because the new benefit progressively extended the cash advantage of the allowances.

The number of people concerned would depend on the tax thresholds at the time the scheme was introduced in April, 1977.

There were at present about 50,000 families with upwards of 90,000 children who were below the tax threshold and not on other supplementary benefit or family incomes supplement. We will introduce benefit (he said) at a flat rate at the outset some time in April, 1977, but later develop the scheme by means of varying rates according to such criteria as may be chosen.

The Bill was read a second time.

House adjourned, 8.31 pm.

Grant of permanent settlement in UK

MR IAN GILMOUR, Opposition spokesman on home affairs (Chesham and Amersham, C), asked what criteria the Home Secretary uses in deciding whether or not to grant the right of permanent settlement to applicants who initially entered the country subject to conditions.

MR ROY JENKINS—The general criteria are set out in the immigration rules for [illegible] categories as pen[illegible] and include [illegible] who have been in approved employment for four years, people with a grandparent born here and those who married a person settled here.

In addition, we revoked the conditions of Commonwealth and Pakistani citizens who were granted immunity from deportation by the Immigration Act 1971 if they were ordinarily resident here on January 1, 1973 and have been so resident for five years: revocation of either condition is a recognition of the facts and does not constitute an addition to the numbers of immigrants settled here.

MR GILMOUR—Were not some 20,000 people from the Commonwealth accepted last year who initially came in under conditions, which is some 10,000 up on the 1973 figure—nearly double? Is not the figure for the first quarter over 5,000?

Will he not accept that it is just as important to exercise just as strict a control over those who come in under conditions as those who come for settlement in the first place.

MR JENKINS—Yes I accept the general proposition subject to the fact that we do not think it is right to keep them, when settled here, in an indefinite state of insecurity. It is not right to have split families.

The figures for 1974 were 18,959. Of these 5,000 were accepted by reasons of marriage, 5,700 after lawful residence, and 1,400 after unlawful residence [illegible] the amnesty which while a significant figure, was very much less than the figures quoted at the time.

The figure for the first quarter of 1975 is 5,200, a little up but not significantly different from that for 1974.

MR LANE (Cambridge, C)—What relaxation has there been in the system of control of entry of dependants as a result of the Minister of State's visit to the Indian sub-continent?

MR JENKINS—We are looking at the matter carefully. The position is difficult to defend. After a first interview wives are asked to go back 21 or 22 months later for a second interview. I am endeavouring to have a reasonably effective control to speed up and simplify this procedure.

I do not think it possible to justify a position in which the wives of people settled here and who are entitled to come, should have to go through a process which involves an interview followed by a second one with nearly two years between them.

More to be provided with miniature hearing aids

MR CANAVAN (West Stirlingshire, Lab) asked the Secretary of State for Social Services to make a statement on further development of the scheme for supplying the new behind-the-ear hearing aid under the National Health Service.

MR ALFRED MORRIS, Under Secretary for the Disabled, said in a written reply: The Secretaries of State for Scotland and Wales and I have consulted a wide range of interests including the professional and national voluntary bodies concerned with the deaf and hard of hearing. The general weight of opinion was that the scheme should now be extended to those normally in employment or receiving education of whatever age. It was felt that there should, however, also be discretion to deal with other cases of exceptional need.

In the light of this advice, I propose to notify health authorities that from September 1, 1975, the scheme may be extended to workers and students with discretion for individual cases of exceptional need.

The position will be kept under review in the light of progress, bearing in mind that we are engaged on a programme which may involve the issue of a million of the new hearing aids. Not all hearing aid centres will be in a position to extend the scheme immediately on September 1, but those centres which have completed issues to the existing priority groups will be able to go ahead according to their capabilities.

The first priority groups included war pensioners requiring aids for accepted disability; mothers with young children under the age of five years; children and young people up to age 18 (21 if still receiving fulltime education); people whose head-worn aids have been replaced by body-worn models on leaving school; people with an exceptional medical need not already included in these groups; and people with an additional severe handicap such as blindness.

Clash over estimates of illegal entry

MR MATHER (Esher, C) asked the Home Secretary for a statement about the operation of the controls on illegal immigration.

MR ALEXANDER LYON, Minister of State (York, Lab)—The immigration service and the police are constantly on the alert to prevent illegal entry. They already take all reasonable and practical measures to stop evasion of the immigration control, but we shall keep these measures under review and in the light of experience they may be adjusted from time to time.

MR MATHER—Can he confirm recent press reports that during the first quarter of this year no less than 1,500 immigrants were smuggled into this country? Is this not a higher figure than the public are led to believe, being about a quarter of the total number of immigrants admitted into this country?

This is a scandalous situation at a time of high unemployment. Has he made representations to the continental countries which may harbour these immigrants and also be the headquarters of their smuggling organization?

MR LYON—That report which was contained in *The Sunday Telegraph* three weeks ago was a scandalous falsehood. It is not true. There is no basis in fact for the assertion that there is a Home Office report, or that there was any estimate of a figure of illegal entrants. By its very nature there could not be.

From facts in the possession of the Home Office, I suspect that the estimates given for illegal entrants each year are wildly exaggerated.

MR ALISON, an Opposition spokesman on home affairs (Barkston Ash, C)—Does he believe that the figures published in his official Home Office statement of June 19, namely that in the first quarter of this year there were 56 illegal immigrants, is as accurate as he claims the other report is inaccurate?

It would be better for everybody if a realistic estimate could be made of the scale of illegal immigration. Uncertainty stokes up irrational fears.

MR LYON—This should not be assisted by the Conservative front bench. The 56 is a factual statement of how many illegal entrants were sent back. These are the people we knew about.

Any other estimate about the numbers of illegal entrants, by the nature of the operation, must be an estimate and whereas we can accept that there are no doubt many illegal entrants, they are well below any of the published estimates, but it must be an opinion.

Finance Bill defeat: TV hire contracts made before April 16 to revert to lower VAT rate

The report stage of the Finance (No 2) Bill was resumed.

On Schedule 7 (VAT higher rate).

MR MacGREGOR (South Norfolk, C) moved one of two amendments to ensure that the higher rate of VAT should not apply to television sets supplied under hire contract before April 16 this year, the day after the Budget statement.

It was considered with two similar amendments, one of which set the cut off date at May 1, 1975, when the higher rate became operative, and the other which asked for exemption for hired sets without setting a cut off date.

He said those who had contracts before April 16 could not have known the Government would bring in a 25 per cent VAT rate on them. Millions would suffer unfairness and, some, hardship. Those better off were able to buy their television sets before the Budget statement or between the statement and May 1.

We are concerned (he said) with the poorer people and I have had shoals of letters from people with little income discretionary spending left and for whom the television is in some cases a lifeline and in many cases the only pleasure.

Some 11,000 people had been made redundant in the television manufacturing industry and it was feared that figure would be approximately doubled by the end of the year. That major effect on employment could be traced back to the higher rate of 25 per cent VAT on television rentals.

MR KILROY-SILK (Ormskirk, Lab) said the higher VAT on rentals would hit hardest those with the lowest incomes. With deep regret he could not support the Government in the lobbies on that issue.

MR TIERNEY (Birmingham, Yardley, Lab) said a number of MPs had had letters from people who had had to hand back their rented television sets because of the increase in VAT. It was inequitable that the 25 per cent rate should apply to all contracts before April 16.

MR NEWTON (Braintree, CC) said the main point against the Government proposal was the employment damage and the sense of unfairness of the proposals among a large part of the community.

MR NOBLE (Rossendale, Lab) said that for a Government committed to social justice and helping the under-privileged and to seeing that the old could have a dignified retirement, the proposal was shameful.

MR SHELDON, Financial Secretary to the Treasury (Ashton under Lyne, Lab), said he would not enter the argument of whether a television was a necessity or not but clearly for some in remote areas, in isolation and on their own, it was in a different category than for those who had more varied entertainment.

It must not be assumed that VAT was on an upward direction. VAT was a buoyant tax. That meant there was a limit to the rates at which it could go, unlike excise duty.

The Bill increased the cost of a black and white set by 8p a week and for a colour set by 20 to 25p a week. The amendment would cost up to £90m a year. The average length of an agreement was between four and five years, so that the average cost would be between £200m and £250m.

The amendment was carried by 108 votes to 106—majority against the Government, two. There were Conservative cheers and calls of "Resign".

Servicing

MR PARDOE (North Cornwall, L) moved an amendment to remove from the higher rate the installation, alteration, testing, repair or maintenance of or the provision of similar services in respect of goods charged at the higher rate.

He said the cost of accepting the amendment would be about £30m, according to an estimate given at committee stage. That was no small sum, but if the amendment to reduce the VAT on the servicing and repair of a wide range of goods were to increase safety in the homes, it would be well worth it.

The increased cost would be a disincentive to having electrical equipment repaired properly. The increased tax would encourage the growth of the throw-away society, with electric appliances that developed faults being replaced with new ones.

MR NEWTON (Braintree, C) said the Government proposals caused a great deal of concern among responsible consumer and safety organizations, including those within the electrical industry.

There was an increased danger of fire in the home if electrical appliances were not properly installed and serviced, particularly the older ones. The fly-by-night operator who did not pay the tax would be encouraged.

MR CRAWFORD (Perth and East Perthshire, Scot Nat) said he could not understand the logic of a punitive VAT when to repair and maintain goods and so make them last longer was most desirable in view of the economic situation.

MR SHELDON said that the amendment would cost £30m and increase the number of anomalies. He could not accept it.

The amendment was rejected by 150 votes to 131—Government majority, 19.

Small boats

SIR GEOFFREY HOWE, chief Opposition spokesman on Treasury and economic affairs (East Surrey, C), moved an amendment to exempt from 25 per cent VAT boats and canoes propelled solely by oars or paddles and sailing boats and yachts except those with motors and built-in living accommodation.

He said the total revenue to be received from the higher VAT would be a mere £4m. The boating industry was quite prepared to accept a flat rate of VAT of 10 per cent, as were other industries singled out for the higher rate, because they believed it to be fair.

MR WIGGIN (Weston super Mare, C) said the Treasury thought they would put out of business a few rich people and large boats. But they had affected a weekly sport enjoyed by 2,750,000 people on Saturday afternoons. This did not seem to tie up with some of the objectives of the Minister for Sport.

The industry was estimating a cutback of 50 per cent if this imposition was not lifted and this would leave the United Kingdom market bereft of some of the finest builders and open to foreign competition.

MR SPEARING (Newham South, Lab) said rowing was one of the most character building activities. The Chancellor did not seem to recognize this.

Paddling a small canoe on the Thames could not be regarded as a luxury. A 25 per cent charge on a £40 or £50 canoe was substantial. The Chancellor ought to have given some concession, particularly to this class of craft.

MR STEPHEN ROSS (Isle of Wight, L) said that in his constituency the tax was having a disastrous effect not only on the boat builders but on the many ancilliary activities which depended on them.

MR MONRO (Dumfries, C) said this was an attack on recreation and on boat building. It was true there had been a strong export trade in recent years but that had been based on a sound home market and that market had now gone.

There had been a catastrophic drop in activity in the industry.

MR DENZIL DAVIES, Minister of State, Treasury (Llanelli, Lab), said the Opposition had shown a disregard in so many of their speeches for the public sector borrowing requirement and public expenditure. They had shown hypocrisy and humbug.

In the first three months of this year there had been a 40 per cent drop in orders for boats before the increases in VAT had been introduced. This had been caused by a world recession and other factors which were filtering through to the industry.

The Government accepted there was some difficulty in relation to spare parts for aircraft because some were taxed at 8 per cent and some at 25 per cent. There had been discussions between the Customs and Excise and the industry and it was hoped it might be possible to come to some arrangement to ensure some of the anomalies were overcome.

The amendment was rejected by 120 votes to 105—Government majority, 15.

Police interrogation

MR CHRISTOPHER PRICE (Lewisham, West, Lab) asked the Home Secretary whether he would now publish further administrative directives to the Judges' Rules indicating to the police how mentally retarded persons should be treated during interrogation.

MR ROY JENKINS, in a written reply, said: I am consulting chief officers about current police practice in this matter, and the extent to which further guidance may be required.

RAF graduation

Air Vice-Marshal W. Harbison, Air Officer Commanding No 11 (Fighter) Group, RAF Strike Command, was reviewing officer yesterday at the graduation of No 296 Course, Green Squadron, from the Officer Cadet Training Unit, Henlow, Bedfordshire.

The Sword of Merit was presented to Pilot Officer A. S. Abbey, and the Sash of Merit to Pilot Officer Susan F. Cox, who also received the Professional Studies Prize. The British Aircraft Corporation Trophy for the best all-round performance on the course went to Flying Officer G. W. Smith. The Overseas Students' Prize was presented to 2nd Lieutenant K. King'Aru of the Kenya Air Force.

Others graduating were:

General duties branch (pilots): Pilot Officers A. S. Abbey, Peterhouse, Marandellas, Rhodesia; M. R. Aston, Stanney SMS, Ellesmere Port; J. A. Clegg, Holly Lodge GS, Smethwick; N. Coley, Bromsgrove; A. F. Cooper, Weymouth GS; C. A. Foster, Bp Bright RC GS, Leamington Spa; S. A. Gracie, BA, Wintringham GS, Warwick Univ; R. D. Graves, Loughton C of FE; T. A. Hills, Dane Court Tech HS, Broadstairs; W. S. Matley, BSc, ARSM, K William's C, Imperial C of Science and Tech; C. D. R. McIlroy; A. E. McIntyre, Barrow GS; J. M. Newton, Guildford Co Tech C; A. G. Nockles, BSc, St Benedict's S, Ealing, Sussex Univ; W. J. Perrins; P. L. Ree, Harrow Weald GS, Warwick Univ; I. J. Simmons, The Plume Comp S, Maldon; A. R. Smith, Manor S, Eastcombe, Reading C of Tech; D. C. Walker, St Bede's GS, Bradford; E. A. Wealleans, Whitley Bay GS; J. Wright, High Wycombe R GS.

General duties branch (navigators): Flying Officer J. F. Collier (Chichester HS). Pilot Officers: S. J. B. Broadway, P. Symonds's GS; P. G. Burrows, P. Symonds's GS; K. R. Cowieson, R Gordon's C; S. J. Hastings, BSc, Forest S, London, Sheffield Poly.

General duties branch (ground): Pilot Officers C. I. Bews, Earls Colne GS; P. Judge, Heanor GS; A. Robertson, Sanders Draper Comp S, Hornchurch; I. D. Walker, Brockenhurst Sixth Form C.

Engineer branch: Flying Officers J. C. Bulman, Castle Rushen HS, Castletown; R. M. Gibbon, Gwendraeth GS, Drefach; S. J. Gibson; E. C. Handa, Turner Green SMS, Birmingham; J. B. Hastings, Barton-on-Humber GS; G. W. Smith, Dover GS; K. J. Walker, BSc, Gosport GS; Portsmouth Poly.

Secretarial branch: Pilot Officers K. M. Erwich, Fakenham GS; A. D. Simpson; G. M. Stapleton, Canford S, Central London Poly.

Marine branch: Flight Lieutenant N. S. Schroeter, M Mar, Barsaleo GS, Newport, City of London Poly, S of Nav.

Catering branch: Pilot Officers D. T. Cross, Kirkcaldy HS, Napier C; R. D. Fry, Newton Abbot GS, S Devon Tech C; L. G. Pope, Salisbury C of Tech; P. N. Vergnano, Christ's Hosp, Sheffield Poly.

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General duties branch (ground): Pilot Officers D. Cawse, Badminton S; S. F. Cox, Imberhouse S, East Grinstead; H. R. Scotney, Sutton HS.

Supply branch: Pilot Officer S. B. Wilton, Sutherland House S, Cromer, Pinderfields S.

Secretarial branch: Pilot Officer T. E. Kennedy, St Philomena's Con, Carshalton.

Kenya Air Force: General duties branch (ground): Lieutenants K. King'Aru, Nyeri HS; M. J. G. Gichuru, Kagumo HS.

Single sex educational trusts to be opened to both sexes

The Sex Discrimination Bill was further considered in committee.

LADY SEEAR (L) moved a new clause (Code of practice) to provide that the proposed Equal Opportunities Commission be empowered with certain safeguards to draw up a code of practice for the implementation of the Bill. She hoped that would include the schedules in the Bill which covered the Equal Pay Act, 1970.

LORD HARRIS of GREENWICH, Minister of State, Home Office, said the amendment would introduce some element of confusion into what was already a fairly complex situation. There was no difference between them on the importance of making people aware of their rights under the Bill. This would be one of the principal responsibilities of the chairman and deputy chairman of the commission. This could be done by a series of voluntary codes and there was no necessity to have statutory code.

The amendment was withdrawn.

LADY SEEAR moved an amendment to Clause 63 (Claims under Part III) to provide that complaints on the grounds of sex discrimination in education made to the Secretary of State would have to be dealt with within two months instead of four months as provided in the Bill.

She said the procedure should be speeded up so matters could be dealt with more quickly within two months.

LORD HARRIS of GREENWICH said the four month figure was the maximum time to be allowed between submission of a complaint to the Secretary of State and a decision whether proceedings should be taken. Simple matters would be dealt with quickly through officers of the department.

LORD BEAUMONT of WHITLEY (L) said from experience in dealing with government departments, four months was more likely to be the minimum than the maximum.

The amendment was carried by 85 votes to 43—majority against the Government, 42.

LORD CROWTHER-HUNT, Minister of State, Education and Science, moved a new clause (Education charities in England and Wales) which, he said, permitted trustees of education trusts whose benefits were restricted to members of one sex to open them to both sexes.

It is a long standing principle of charity law (he said) that as far as practicable the wishes of the donor should be respected by law. Education, however, is an area in which it is important that the law should reflect social change. The power the new clause confers on education ministers is not without precedent in the education context.

It would be in accordance with the spirit of the Bill to permit trustees of educational trusts whose objectives were restricted to benefiting persons of one sex to apply to the education ministers for an order removing or modifying the restrictions so the benefits could be made available to persons of the other sex.

That would enable, for example, trustees providing scholarships for men only to apply for approval to make them available to women. It would also make it easier for trustees of an independent single sex school to move towards co-education.

LORD BLAKE said he was a trustee of one of the biggest single sex education trusts—that set up by Cecil Rhodes. He welcomed the amendment. Since being a trustee he had endeavoured to make Rhodes scholarships open to women, but it was impossible under present law.

Rhodes's will was made more than 70 years ago and was specifically limited to women. Cecil Rhodes was a lifelong bachelor and had the reputation of being a women hater. The Rhodes trust would be among the first to make application to the Secretary of State for Education and Science.

The new clause was agreed to.

On Clause 78 (Transitional and commencement provisions, amendments and repeals).

LORD HOUGHTON of SOWERBY (Lab) moved an amendment providing that Clause 12 (Trade Unions etc) should not come into operation until two years after the passing of the Act.

LORD CROWTHER-HUNT, Minister of State for Education and Science, said the Government would undertake at report stage to bring forward an amendment which would give the four unions in the teaching profession, over which many Lords had expressed concern in earlier debates, a transitional period of four years before the provisions of the Bill regarding union membership came into effect.

We propose (he said) that the application to them of Clause 12 should be deferred until January 1, 1978. This will meet much of the case argued by peers earlier on.

The amendment was withdrawn.

The committee stage was concluded.

More parole?

MR GROCOTT (Lichfield and Tamworth, Lab) asked if the Home Secretary was satisfied with the present working of the prison parole system.

MR ROY JENKINS—I am satisfied that the parole system has made a useful contribution to the reduction of the prison population without comparable risk to the public. I am considering, in consultation with the Parole Board, the possibility of extending the use of parole.

Oxford University class list

The following class list has been issued at Oxford University:

(NATURAL SCIENCE:)
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Why the Turks fear that the Cyprus conflict will come too close to home

Ankara, July 17

One year after the Turkish invasion of Cyprus, the prospect of a rational and workable solution to this festering problem, is marred by the paralysing political uncertainty in Ankara and a growing feeling of reluctance to part with what has already been conquered.

Even the more intransigent Turkish officials agree that a Cyprus settlement inevitably would involve some Turkish concessions. The question today is which Turkish government could defy the resentment of the military and the invective of political rivals and the press, in order to make such concessions.

Mr Suleyman Demirel, leader of the Justice Party, has been the Prime Minister of the right-wing coalition that has governed Turkey for the past three months on a relative and uncertain majority. He is unable to lay down a realistic policy on Cyprus for fear that either his ultranationalist partners in the coalition would rebel and bring down the government, or the opposition would accuse him of a sell-out and tarnish his political image.

Mr Bulent Ecevit, leader of the opposition Republican People's Party, who as Prime Minister a year ago ordered the landing in Cyprus, is fully aware of the Government's predicament, as well as of his own unique position in being able to give away some of the conquests made under his government.

He could have simplified Mr Demirel's task by indicating which concessions would be acceptable to the opposition, but he will not. He told me: "When you make such suggestions you should be able to control the whole foreign policy of the country. Even nuances, even styles, matter. I may make certain suggestions, but the Government may apply them in a style that would lead nowhere or even yield opposite results."

Mr Ecevit wants elections. He believes he can convert the popularity gained after the Cyprus invasion into a parliamentary majority that would allow his party to run the country without cumbersome partnerships. However, there can be no elections until 1977 unless the National Assembly votes its own dissolution. Mr Ecevit is unable to muster the required majority for this.

Mr Demirel does not want elections for precisely the same reasons. He believes that if his coalition with the Islamic National Salvation Party and two smaller groups can hold out until the winter (when, because of the climate, no elections can be held), there will be time for Mr Ecevit's popularity to wane, and for his government to gain credit by tackling some of the more pressing internal issues such as inflation, unemployment, and a deteriorating balance of payments.

When Mr Demirel met the Greek Prime Minister in Brussels in May, he explained why domestic complications made it impossible for him to negotiate the substance of the Cyprus problem. They agreed therefore to encourage the Vienna intercommunal talks on a *modus vivendi* between the two Cyprus communities, and put aside the key issues until prospects improved.

All hopes in Turkey are now pinned on October 12, when about a third of the Senate's 150 elected members must seek reelection. This will be the first consultation of the electorate since the general elections of October 1973, which gave the Republican People's Party a relative majority in the 450-seat National Assembly, with the Justice Party a close second, and created a sprinkling of rightist groups that now hold the balance of power between the two big parties.

Election forecasts are vague, though most of them agree that Mr Demirel, whose party has a majority in the Senate, will be unable to defend all the 31 seats that are up for reelection. Electoral gains are expected for the RPP and also for the National Salvation Party, which is making electoral capital out of both its extreme nationalist line on Cyprus and the resurgence of religious feeling in the eastern provinces.

Mr Demirel says he plans to resign if the RPP gains are substantial, and call for the formation of a government under Mr Ecevit. He is evidently aware that his rival would find it impossible to ally himself with any other groups to obtain the majority needed for a comeback.

Mr Demirel says: "In view of the bitter experience of the past, our objective in Cyprus is to establish on firm bases the framework in which the two national communities of Cyprus shall live in peace, security, and mutual confidence. To this end we regard the establishment of an independent biregional federal state as a viable solution to the problem."

Mr Ecevit has indicated that although he favours a bizonal federation, he would not exclude the existence of what are called "enclaves" of Greek-Cypriots in the Turkish zone and vice-versa. "Once the bizonal is agreed upon, and a pattern emerges showing how large a Turkish community will remain in the Greek sector and vice-versa, then such arrangements can be discussed", he said.

The key issue, of course, is how large an area shall remain under Turkish-Cypriot control. This in turn will determine the number of Greek-Cypriot refugees who can be repatriated and the extent of the resources in the north that will be restored to the Greek owners. The two rival parties refuse to disclose their views on this tricky issue, beyond confirming that the demarkation line is negotiable. Estimates by officials indicate that Turkey would eventually agree to shrink the northern zone from the present 40 per cent to 30 or even 25 per cent, depending on how limited the powers of the central government would be.



Mr Suleyman Demirel: Elections now do not suit his plans.

There seems to be consensus in favour of a selective repatriation of a large number of Greek-Cypriots to the Turkish zone, though not in such numbers as to endanger the continued existence of a Turkish-Cypriot majority—possibly a two to one ratio in favour of the Turkish-Cypriots. This would eventually permit some 60,000 Greeks to return to their homes and fields in the north. If the new town of Famagusta is also surrendered, another 60,000 people who are now refugees could be settled there.

One of Turkey's techniques in diplomacy has been to whittle down concessions gradually in order to compel the adversary to agree at some point just to cut down the losses. The latest example of this is that the Turks now say the Greeks cannot really expect to retrieve the bulk of the economic resources in the north (which represent about 10 per cent of the island's wealth). "The Greeks cannot have both the plantations of Morfou and the tourist installations of Famagusta", I was told by an official. "They can have one or the other".

All Turkish parties share the same dislike of President Makarios of Cyprus and declare that his removal is an essential condition for a settlement. The last thing they want is the partitioning of the island, since this would in a sense extend to the south the string of Greek islands along the Anatolian coast, whose presence the Turks regard as stifling. They favour, therefore, a federal, independent, and preferably demilitarised island.

With these points in common it is difficult to see why Turkey cannot proceed to negotiate a final settlement, except that the issue carries so many emotional overtones that it has become enmeshed in domestic politics. I asked Mr Ecevit what made him so confident that a government under him could in fact solve the problem. He said: "We have sufficient courage as a party; we have confidence in the common sense of our people. But when I say this I must make one point clear: that Turkey should not be expected to give much. After all there is a new situation in Cyprus."

The opposition leader was clearly aware of the increasing difficulties the delay is causing, even for himself. "The Greeks should not expect to obtain sensational results. After all a lot has changed in Cyprus, and in the long run it has changed for the better because there is no more prospect of friction, conflict, and bloodshed between the two communities."

In Ankara these days western diplomats and Turkish officials all the way up to President Koruturk join in prayers for what they regard as the ideal way out of the present quandary: A coalition of the two major parties under Mr Ecevit and Mr Demirel to settle the Cyprus issue and lead the country to elections probably before the end of the year. The two leaders, of course, are reluctant to admit that this is a feasible proposition.

Mr Demirel said: "The solution of all these problems cannot vary according to the political parties (in power) in Turkey. No government can accept a solution which is not acceptable to the nation".

Mr Ecevit said: "We could form a coalition only for early elections. We always said we were ready for that. But the Justice Party so far has not accepted early elections and has not said yes to any kind of coalition between the two parties".

The Senate elections on October 12 will probably have a catalytic effect on the Turkish political scene, either by confirming the need for early elections or by consolidating the Demirel coalition in power for at least another year. Those who are concerned about the explosive nature of the Cyprus problem hope that a settlement can be achieved before the present sense of deadlock and frustration touches off another bloody crisis. What they fear is that this time it will be difficult to restrict the conflict to the war-torn island.

Mario Modiano

The new mood in Scotland over devolution

This is the period of second thoughts on devolution. It is evident within the Conservative Party, and it is apparent where it matters most, within the Government. The process really began for ministers with the disastrous meeting at Chequers in mid-January. That meeting was to have been the occasion for unfolding to an admiring group the proposals to be presented to the House of Commons in a two-day debate in early February. But the group turned out to be less than admiring; the divisions were so deep that nothing of consequence could be announced to the House and the initiative in the debate was surrendered to the anti-devolutionists. To reassure the sceptics, Mrs Williams and Mr Prentice were added to the Cabinet committee on devolution.

The strengthening of this wing of the committee has led to virtual stalemate. Nothing much of substance has been settled beyond the timetable—a White Paper in the autumn and a Bill later in that session of Parliament. Even that timerable might be hard to preserve, in which case there would be the temptation to keep to it—because certain personal political prestige is attached—by proceeding straight to the Bill. That would be inviting trouble because the harder ministers find it to take the decisions the less likely it is that their answers will command instant public approval.

It is right to speak of sceptics rather than opponents of devolution on the committee because they—Mr Jenkins, Mr Crosland, Mr Prentice, Mrs Williams and formerly Mr Benn, though he seems to have changed his position—are not rejecting the policy to which the Government is committed. They are pointing out the momentous constitutional implications and the need carefully to think through what is being done. Clearly they have not been satisfied up to now, but what strikes one about this group is that none of them has a particularly close knowledge of Scotland.

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The separate arguments

That matters, because there are two quite separate arguments for devolution. One is that it will lead to better government by bringing decision-making closer to the people and relieving the overburdened Westminster Parliament; the other is that Scottish opinion will not be satisfied without it. As the details have been examined more closely, so the difficulties of devising a system that would be workable and not lead inexorably to full independence have become more apparent. There is no lack of voices, either on the Conservative and Labour benches at Westminster or among knowledgeable observers in Scotland, claiming that there can be no satisfactory halfway house. If it were not for fear of Scottish opinion, the whole exercise might peter out. But how strong are Scottish demands today?

I was there for some days last week for the first time since last October and I was aware of a distinct change in the temperature compared with what I found on all my visits last year. The Scottish issue no longer pervades the atmosphere. The referendum, inflation and other economic perils have diverted attention. This may mean that the mood of Scottish assertion has passed its peak, or simply that there is no longer election fever and that everyone is taking the coming of the Assembly for granted. There is no hard evidence either way, but my own guess is the latter. An assembly has been promised, everyone assumes it is on the way, and there might well be a sense of shock and betrayal if it did not materialize.

But precisely what kind of Assembly? Because of the differences in the Cabinet committee one can offer no more than probabilities. It is widely assumed that it will be based much more than Westminster is on the committee system. One possibility that is mentioned is for the Assembly to elect a chief executive who would appoint the chairmen of all committees, and these chairmen would comprise the Cabinet Executive.

There is much to be said for giving more power to committees, though in an Assembly devoted to Scottish affairs this would inevitably place a great burden of work on civil servants. More legislation would have to be prepared, more answers produced to more pressing on Scottish government than Westminster ever has time for. More civil servants would have to be found than are now needed to cover the same areas in the Scottish Office. How many more would depend on what responsibilities were transferred to the Assembly.

The work of the Home Office, Health Department, Agriculture and Fisheries, and the Development Department will almost certainly be devolved. So would that of the Education Department. But what will happen to the universities? They are administered at the moment on a United Kingdom basis, coming under the Department of Education and Science, with public finance being provided through the University Grants Committee. Most, though not all, senior staff would probably prefer to keep it like that. They are naturally wary of being pushed near the point of political power, and they fear parochial influences.

These are powerful arguments but a respectable case can be made for placing universities under the same authority that would be responsible for all other forms of further and higher education. And there would be strong political incentive to transfer as much as possible outside the economic sphere so as to make the retention of certain economic powers under the Secretary of State more acceptable.

There is bound to be a feeling of doing anything that might jeopardize the economic unity of the United Kingdom, but government is remote control in economic affairs that Scots complain about most frequently. It would be surprising if nothing were done to meet that complaint. The most likely step would be to devolve some area of economic management without apparently risking such wider consequences. The Scottish Development Agency would be an obvious candidate.

In any case, most of the civil servants now in the Scottish Office will find themselves working for the Assembly. They will be described as another department of the United Kingdom Civil Service, but in practice most of them are bound to think of themselves as making their careers in the service of the Assembly. Will they continue to have direct access to their counterparts in Whitehall? Or will such contacts have to be through the Scottish Office? Will the Secretary of State become essentially a conduit between London and Edinburgh? As the implications of devolution become more apparent some thoughtful politicians are beginning to wonder if there will be a majority in the House of Commons for the necessary legislation.

Geoffrey Smith

How the Democrats are lining up against Governor Wallace

Washington

At each presidential election Americans groan that the campaign has started too soon; yet each time it gets earlier. With midterm elections which permit the voters, not just the party, to choose a candidate—1976 politics are already revving up. Even President Ford has felt compelled to make his intentions official so early.

It is perhaps because the situation is so novel, with unelected men in the White House, and no clear favourite to challenge them, that the air is already thick with exotic speculation.

Take, for instance, the fashionable overconcentration in news magazines with the one principal declared *non*-candidate, Senator Edward Kennedy. Or take the enormous pother over Governor George Wallace. Both seem unlikely choices at this stage. Yet breathlessness, in the one case, and panic in the other over what might be, have tended to obscure the view.

There has, however, at last been some change on the Wallace front. A phalanx of Democratic Party figures have recently stepped up to take him "head-on".

They have dubbed him a man of reaction, of little achievement in his home state of Alabama, and with even less to propose for the nation. He is called wrecker of the Democratic Party, and has even been blamed for Watergate. Had he not run as the third man in 1968, charged Mr Morris Udall (a declared candidate), Mr Humphrey would have got in, and there would never have been a Nixon presidency.

It illustrates that it is the Democrats as usual who will fascinate through most of the political season. And it is the Democrats who have the best chance of squandering their almost certain prospect of victory: certain, if only on the averages.

After Watergate, the recession, and 9.2 per cent unemployment, President Gerald Ford, the tail-end of the Republican eight-year lease at the White House. Only if the Democrats wreck themselves with a worse split than Truman endured, losing the Dixiecrats in 1948, or by selecting another impossible candidate, can Mr Ford at this stage be granted more than an outside chance.

One point to be borne in mind by the foreign reader this time round; the rules have been so changed, and literally transformed on the Democratic side, that past experience here will be little help in illuminating the guesses.

Party professionals are frank to admit when discussing which candidates will prosper in the primaries that anyone's guess goes. We do not at this stage know even when the primaries—all 30 of them—will be held. The old rhythm of a start in New Hampshire, a first peak in Wisconsin, and on to decision in Oregon and triumph in California is no more. We may see a combination of states, starting with the New England group, staging "regional" primaries, but time is already running short for that, and at all events proud little New Hampshire will not be upstaged, having empowered the Governor with a law to keep its election always ahead of rivals—even if it takes getting back to January 1.

New York, the largest single state as regards Democratic delegates, may hold its election before Wisconsin. Most important, there is no longer the winner-take-all provision. Some candidates, instead of being progressively eliminated for lack of appeal and funds could—assuming they have made their early-bird start in fund gathering, as some have—keep going right through all the primaries.

Even on the Republican side the rules have changed a bit, not least by the primary's much more vulnerable to challenge than would be the case with an incumbent.

In the face of such unpredictability, it is also worth recalling just how unpredictable the last election turned out for the Democrats. Some of the current pundits have certainly forgotten. At this season in 1971 the fancying had a familiar ring. Mr Kennedy was the leading choice of those Democrats asked their preference in opinion polls. So he is again now with Mr Wallace second. Impressive; but it tends only to confirm a constant in wishful thinking—and it should be noted neither man has ever come close to getting a poll *majority* of preferences.

And in the poll in 1971, Democrat respondents felt the man most likely to beat Mr Nixon was Senator Edmund Muskie. He was generally accepted as "front runner" on the basis of one broadcast. That finding was enough to precipitate Mr John Mitchell et al to form Mr Nixon's fateful committee to reelect (Creep). The sole declared candidate then was Senator George McGovern, the eventual nominee, who then scraped barely five per cent recognition in the opinion polls.

It would be a mistake now to concentrate on today's five-percenters. But Mr Jules Witcover, one of the more perceptive political commentators here, advises us to look first at those candidates who have the courage, or foolhardiness, to declare themselves and get about their ordeal of arousing the country and their would-be contributors.

(To be concluded)

Fred Emery

Washington Correspondent

The two lives of the new head of BBC radio

To an exceptional extent, and at an unusually high level of achievement, the new managing director of BBC Radio, Howard Newby, is unobtrusively successful BBC man; and P. H. Newby, author of 16 novels, almost all seriously reviewed, a few—notably *The Picnic at Sakkara* (1955) and *Something to Answer For*, which won the first £5,000 Booker Prize in 1969—widely if not popularly acclaimed.

P. H. Newby being so much better known than Howard Newby, the latter's appointment last week to take over the top job in radio from Mr Ian Trethowan on January 1 passed largely unsung. He came to his present job as Director of Programmes in 1972, after 13 years at the head of the Third Programme and Radio Three. A predominantly "serious" background, he admits. But as Director of Programmes he has been responsible for the editorial policy and content of Radios One and Two as well as Three and Four. He has his own developed views on popular music, and two young daughters who are "very good intelligence operators".

The new job involves an altogether broader sphere of activities, bringing in local radio ("the real growth area"), and the engineering and other non-editorial departments. "As managing director one is responsible for the whole area of radio. One is a member of the BBC's board of management, and as such takes part in discussions on the BBC as a whole."

At 57, he will have just three years in this demanding position before retirement. Although some of his friends regard him as shy, behind his desk he exudes quiet authority, the clarity of his thinking alone suggesting strong, with fine eyebrows, a full head of crisp, slightly greying hair, lips which hint at a certain fastidiousness.

In his period as Director of Programmes, the four BBC radio networks have settled down to achieve their own clear if sometimes uninspiring identity. Mr Newby does not believe in forcing innovation from above. Patronage of a given network by the public is the important thing, he believes. "You have to create an expectation of a certain kind, and then cater for that kind of expectation. The networks have their own character. I believe they should develop and grow organically like plants."

He points with some pride to the introduction of news and current affairs items to Radio One, which with its predominantly young audience accounts for nearly half of BBC radio's 25 million daily listeners; and much regrets the sacrificing in this year's economy cuts of the more adventurous *Sounds of the 70s* popular music programme.

Discussions on the future of radio very often lose sight of reality, he believes. Radio was transformed not so much by editorial decisions as by the development of transistor sets and the tape recorder.

"I think it's a pity the radio remains so tricky to operate. It is a very common experience not to be able to find the service you want. We need a fundamentally redesigned receiver operating impartially over the bands, so people can just tune in to a numbered channel or push a button.

"We have a great need for a channel numbering system in Europe. That's one of the reasons I so regret the failure of the recent Geneva conference to reach agreement about narrowing the space between the channels on medium and long wave: people outside Europe couldn't appreciate the Europeans wanted."

Howard Newby of the BBC becomes P. H. Newby, novelist, principally at weekends, occasionally, when insomnia strikes, between 2 and 4 am. "I have been writing novels, goodness, it's 40 years now. I've always been a compulsive writer, and it has always been an immensely pleasurable and natural activity". In a good weekend, he will produce 2,000 words in four or five hours: fast writing, but even so, it has taken him three years to complete his latest novel just recently.

He has never been conscious of any intrusion of his writing personality on his BBC job—more likely the other way around. It is no coincidence, he believes, that his early novels written as a freelance author were more serious than his later works. To write comedies you need a sense of society, which the BBC certainly provides. "If I had lived in a cottage in the muddy shires, I would probably have written the sort of novel satirized in *Cold Comfort Farm*".

One source of agreeable bafflement to him is the difference in the qualities required to cooperate with hundreds of people at the BBC, and to sit down alone at his desk in his home near Chalfont St Giles, "making black marks on white paper, not listening to the laughter in the next room".

"You could say I am being tugged in different directions by the two lives, but I think to the benefit of my writing. I don't think I could ever have been a full-time writer." For the next three years at least, Howard Newby, head of radio, is likely to be tugging harder than P. H. Newby, novelist.

Roger Berthoud

The Times Diary

Amazing scenes as Bognor waited

Residents of Bognor Regis remained calm last night as they awaited the approach of a joint Soviet-American handshake only 140 miles above their crumbling pier, reports Alan Hamilton, my man nearest the incident. Local citizens, softened up for the big event by an advance *column of tough* Commando-type reporters, thronged the streets throughout the day. Hundreds of women, many of them pushing prams, bought sausages and pork chops, while others queued for cheese in Woolworths.

Following a well-publicized warning from local astronomer Patrick Moore that they would be unable to see anything anyway, residents and holiday-makers decided to look where they were going rather than upwards to the cloudy heavens. Calls for the town to switch on all its lights as a gesture to the astronauts were quashed when *council chiefs remembered that* it would still be broad daylight at 8.16 pm.

Leaders of the ruling Arun District Council decorated their local headquarters with a stars and stripes and hammer and sickle, borrowed from Brighton Corporation. But they rejected demands for a municipal knees-up because of the economic crisis which is hitting this remote coastal region as hard as the rest of Britain.

At the Royal Norfolk Hotel, headquarters of the international press corps, barmaids were offering a specially-designed "Space Shake" cocktail, containing Russian vodka, Polish plain spirit, Dutch curacao and French vermouth, but no American bourbon. Nobody was drinking it. Expert analysts were saying last night that this was because it cost 85p.

Meanwhile secret agents are combing Bognor for a highly organized gang of spoilsports who claim that the handshake, even if dead on time, would have taken place 50 miles out over the Channel, and probably *nearer to Littlehampton, Portsmouth* or even Plymouth.

Growth

Here is a horticultural success story to set beside that of the Brixton allotment. A year ago we reported on the Covent Garden Open Spaces Committee's plans for a landscaped Japanese garden on the derelict Odhams' site, and for communal gardens on other unused plots in the neighbourhood.

The Japanese garden has now been open for more than a month, and at sunny lunchtimes there are often as many as 100 people making use of it. "We were warned that trees and shrubs would be torn up, the lake would be polluted and we would be buried under a *mountain* of rubbish", says a notice by the gate. "As you can see none of this has happened. The hundreds of visitors have treated the garden with the utmost respect."

Everything in the garden is indeed lovely, except the turf nearest the entrance which is *showing some signs of wear* and drought. The trees are prospering, four ducks have found refuge from the over-insistent attentions of the St James's Park drakes on the island in the garden's lake, and the trout in the lake have grown several inches and now weigh in at over a pound.

The communal garden in Stukeley Street no longer has a lock on the gate ("feel free to walk in" says the sign), and there is a fine show of hollyhocks, geraniums and lobelia. A lively honeysuckle is threatening to obscure one of the viewing grilles in the surrounding hoardings. Both rhubarb and strawberries are doing well, though the pigeons seem to have been at the lettuces. The third garden, in Conduit Court off Long Acre, has two established trees, some good shrubs, goldfish in a pond, and a deck chair ready for the use of visitors, who can also take a hand at weeding if they wish.

J. C. Morgan of Tunbridge Wells has put new words to an old song:

I was Boss of the Board
'Til the day when I backed
Down to shouts for more pay
And that's why I am sacked.
Hallelujah, I'm a bum . . .

Strolling

Tourists thinking of a stroll through the forest in the Basque provinces of northern Spain may care to study the rules and regulations which General Franco's government have laid down about such pastimes. They are designed to prevent Basque nationalists from congregating together for political meetings or military training sessions, but they apply to all.

If anyone is contemplating a walking tour lasting more than 24 hours, for instance, he has to tell the police and the civil governor the day, the place from which he is to set out, the name, age, sex and profession of everyone taking part together with the "mental status" of the tour leader.

Those who doubt the authenticity of the law should take a look at the Madrid *Official Bulletin* decree of July 20 last year, Article 4, number 225374. You have to give all the information to your local Falangist leader as well.

Bananas

The Royal Commonwealth Society paid their tribute to International Women's Year yesterday, but supporters of women's liberation might have been happier had they refrained from so doing. The guest speaker was Mrs Fetaui Mata'afa, pro Chancellor of the University of the South Pacific at Suva and widow of the late Prime Minister of Western Samoa. She declared: "Women's liberation has no relevance to our situation."

Smiling benignly, Mrs Mata'afa revealed that there were three words for wife in her language. One translated as "house at the back" (equivalent, she claimed, to our saying that behind every great man is a woman) and the others meant "to care" and "in partnership".

She had been asked elsewhere what her country's women were doing to mark women's year. "We're planting more bananas", she had replied, because there was a food shortage last year.

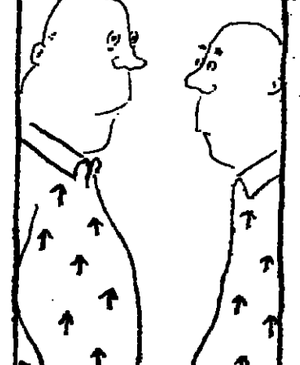
Rubbing in her point, Mrs Mata'afa said that Western Samoan women had "nothing to be liberated from—they're all right". Then she quoted an impenetrable local proverb: "The side of the house that was thatched by women was completed. The side that was thatched by men was not completed. Our men have accepted this fact gracefully."

Germaine Greer (equally a woman of the Commonwealth), where were you?

Sports news

Diarists and publishers are among the few groups idle enough to take Wednesday afternoon off, which I suppose is why they figured prominently in a cricket match at Harrods' ground in Barnes. I was playing for the side called Stranger's Gallery against *Harpers Queen* magazine.

Stranger's Gallery was supposed to be a team composed largely of foreigners who had contributed to a book of the same name, giving their impressions of cricket. In fact it was mainly a scratch eleven, composed of such as myself, captained by Allen Synge, the book's editor.



The way Diarists play cricket, I noted, reflects the way they write their Diaries. For myself, I am happiest prodding and pushing, avoiding danger, but am given occasionally to flashes of unorthodoxy, sometimes with unexpected results.

Jeremy Deedes, who edits the Londoner's Diary in the *Evening Standard*, is, like his Diary, gentle, gentlemanly and well-bred. I admired the fortitude with which he bore his dismissal in the first over, in my suspect l-b-w decision, and the gallantry with which he bore to stump women foreigners.

Nigel Dempster, the scandalmonger of the *Daily Mail*, is an effective hitter, scoring several runs quickly, mostly to boundaries. His bowling was uneven and quite easy to score from, though he did manage to get one ball to hit me on exactly the spot I would expect to be hit by the *Daily Mail* gossip writer.

Dempster claimed it was the first time he had played cricket for 20 years, and he became quite emotional. "Do you remember", he mused, "the smooth cream flannels and those lovely Viyella shirts. I feel terribly nostalgic. I think I shall wear pyjamas tonight".

The Royal College of Midwives held their annual conference yesterday, starting inappropriately with a service in the Church of St Mary the Virgin, Cottingham.

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THE DECISION NOT TO DECIDE

In 1974 the Conservative Party fought two elections in which they put themselves forward as the champions of an anti-inflation policy which largely depended on statutory control of incomes. In the February election the incomes policy was the central issue of the campaign; the Conservatives received the largest vote, but were nevertheless defeated. In the October election the Conservative manifesto stated: "everything else is secondary to the battle against inflation . . . no government could honestly say that it will never be necessary to use the law in the national interest to support an effective policy for fighting inflation. In the absence of a viable prices and incomes policy any government would have to take harsher financial and economic measures than would otherwise be needed."

In both the 1974 elections the Labour Party opposed the idea of a statutory or compulsory incomes policy, advocating instead the social contract as a voluntary policy. They promised to abolish the pay board and carried out that promise. In the event the cost of living, which had risen 13 per cent in the last twelve months of Conservative government under Mr Heath, rose by 25 per cent in the twelve months to May 1975 under Mr Wilson. The Labour Government have now introduced their compulsory policy with a provision for statutory support.

Consequences

What would one then expect? It is surely that the Conservative Party would welcome the conversion of their opponents to the policies which they had themselves not only advocated but carried out. The Conservatives would claim, and with justice, that the destruction of the compulsory incomes policy in 1974 had been followed by an enormous surge in wages, particularly in the public sector, which had inflated costs and prices, damaged the competitiveness of British industry, raised unemployment, produced an enormous Budget deficit, weakened the pound, and threatened the ability to continue the operation of anti-inflationary fiscal and monetary policies. They would rejoice to have been proved right.

Of course the Conservatives under Mr Heath were not by any means wholly right. They relied too much on incomes policy and their monetary policy was far too inflationary. Yet the consequence of the abolition of incomes policy, and of the other decisions of the new Labour Government, was roughly to double the rate of inflation.

How have the Conservatives responded? The Shadow Cabinet met on Wednesday and decided that they would put a reasoned amendment to the Government's motion on incomes policy. That is natural enough. The Government's policy is not perfect and an Opposition has several strong grounds for criticism, including obviously the failure to cut Government expenditure. In moving the reasoned amendment it is apparently to be made clear by Mr Prior that the Opposition support the anti-inflationary measures. Are we still then in the phase of believing that "inflation is . . . a moral and political evil as well as a social and economic evil. Everything . . . is secondary to the battle against inflation"? Will the Conservatives support in the lobbies the policies Mr Prior will tell us they fully support, the policies on which, so far as principle is concerned, they fought the last two elections?

No, they will not. The Shadow Cabinet have decided to abstain.

What a splendid position this is. "We are not quite sure whether inflation is a good thing or a bad thing; we do not know whether what we did ourselves was wisely done or foolishly done; we do not know whether what the Government propose will be a success or a failure; on the whole we think the Government should do something, but for the life of us we cannot tell what it should be; we are of course the great party of anti-inflation and we are very proud of our high reputation in that respect; but there, you see, we have our reputation for being the party of decisive indecision to keep up as well; when there is nothing in your mind it is as well not to make it up; when you do not know what to do, the best thing is usually to do nothing; we can always put up Jim Prior to say we are against inflation, and support the measures, and are against public expenditure and all that sort of thing, and then, to show that we are not extremists, when the vote comes we can sit in our seats, because that will show that we are a united party as we are all such idiots that we have no idea what to do."

At least Mr Enoch Powell will vote against. He may be wrong to do so; indeed we have explained why we think him wrong. But he has a mature and strongly argued intellectual justification, and he knows why he thinks what he does. But a party which abstains on this occasion will try to abstain at the last trump, and will go bleating and braying into the final lobby protesting that though they believe themselves to be sheep, they may quite possibly be goats, and have all decided to be donkeys for the occasion, in order to preserve party unity.

Abstention is the one decision that cannot possibly be right. Except on rare occasions, abstentions on great issues must show weakness of mind or weakness of character or both. Either the Conservatives do not know what they believe, or they do not have the courage to express their beliefs in their votes. In political terms it is a catastrophe: it will not unite the party, indeed they will probably split three ways as they did in 1969 when Mr Heath himself made the uncharacteristic mistake of asking his party to abstain over Rhodesia. Its only virtue is that it staves off resignations from the shadow Cabinet—but what good is the continuation of a shadow Cabinet so seriously divided on the essentials of economic policy?

Thrown away

A great political advantage is being thrown away. The Conservatives are not giving their full backing to the incomes policy. They thereby deprive themselves of the claim to be the party that puts the campaign against inflation first. They deprive themselves of the right to argue that the Wilson policy of 1975 has shown how necessary the Heath policy was which Mr Wilson attacked in 1974. They deprive themselves of the argument that they are the more consistent of the two parties, since they are now behaving as Mr Wilson did in Opposition, only with less skill and less effrontery. And incidentally they go against the weight of public opinion which supports the incomes policy by an even larger majority, according to the Gallup Poll in *The Daily Telegraph*, than the referendum vote. If it is popularity they are after, this is the way to lose it.

The loss is not merely the Conservative Party's: it is the nation's. The two great parties now reciprocate in opposition the evasion of the policies they adopt in government. How can the nation look to them for leadership; How can they even hope to retain our respect?

IN THE HANDS OF THE MILITARY AGAIN

A turning point seems to have been reached so often in the drawn-out denouement of the Portuguese revolution that it is now hard to recognize any event as decisive. The political kaleidoscope has been shaken so often in the past few months that no sooner has one pattern come into focus than another has superseded it. Last month it seemed the Supreme Revolutionary Council would be swept into setting up revolutionary councils; then a communiqué reaffirming its commitment to a plural democracy seemed to outline a new path of moderation; then in another reversal of policy the Armed Forces Movement proposed a power structure based on neighbourhood councils bypassing the political parties. And now the political parties have been banished from government altogether.

The dual system of military and political rule has now been proved unworkable, and the two largest political parties, the Socialists and the Popular Democrats, have made an open break with the Armed Forces—a break the Socialists deliberately precipitated in order to put an end to the constant verbal acrobatics that paralysed effective government. The question is whether the revolution has now led to a straight military dictatorship in open opposition to the democratic choice of the Portuguese people.

To an increasing number of ordinary Portuguese voters this seems to be the case. As time passes they have grown more and more disillusioned with the ultimate aims—or lack of them—of the Armed Forces Movement. Support for the Socialists has risen, particularly now that they have come out firmly against the military's ill-defined plans for perpetuating their own rule. Significantly the slogans now being chanted on the streets are openly hostile to the Armed Forces. The average person may not have a clear conception of where the revolution should go, but he knows that the eclectic blend of marxism, populism and liberation philosophy that constitutes the thinking of the Revolutionary Council takes little account of his own democratically expressed choice. Demonstrations organized by both the Popular Democrats and the Socialists are likely to attract massive support, even though the counter-demonstrations of the left are supported, in person as well as in principle, by troops.

Nevertheless, the Armed Forces are not actually proposing a wholly military government. The prime minister is trying to persuade several respected technocrats to give a new non-party government a civilian look to it. He may not succeed. His own resignation, ostensibly on grounds of ill health, is confidently expected, and the technocrats are reluctant to assume responsibility until the government has some semblance of real authority. But the Armed Forces are still leaving their options open in response to the rising feeling against them.

In fact the Armed Forces could not make a decisive break with all the political parties even if they wanted to. The communist party which has reaped rewards from its steadfast support for the military, for one, would be reluctant to see itself relegated, together with the other organized political groups, to the margins. More important, the government has strong financial incentives to keep the political parties within the fold. The European Economic Community decided yesterday to give Portugal substantial aid (about £350m) if it is convinced of the regime's intention to establish democratic institutions and procedures. And in case the Portuguese regime is in doubt about what that condition means, the Italians will spell it out to Major Melo Antunes, the foreign minister, in Rome today. In its present economic straits Portugal needs that money.

The danger is that in trying to satisfy the EEC, cover up the conflicts within the military and avoid the censure of the communists and the left (which the Supreme Revolutionary Council seems unable to stand up to), the Armed Forces Movement will again propose a compromise. The kaleidoscope will be shaken again, Portugal will not get an unmistakably democratic government. What the Armed Forces will do when the day of economic reckoning comes—generally supposed to be in October—must now most concern the friends of Portugal.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Problems confronting the Post Office

From the Deputy Chairman, Post Office, and Managing Director Telecommunications

Sir, I have no doubt that the contribution to your columns of Mr Bernard Levin were intended as good rollicking humour designed to cheer your readers before they face the harsh realities of the day ahead. If in the process the pillories a public service and hits it indiscriminately with some verbal rotten eggs it's all meant to be taken as good British fun. But there are limits and, as far as I am concerned, to be described as a clown as I was in his contribution of July 15 is more than I will accept without protest.

Six years ago I abandoned a highly lucrative appointment in industry to take on the challenging task of joining the Post Office Board as Managing Director Telecommunications. In a career of over 30 years I had helped to create radar as a weapon that won the Battle of Britain and spent five tough war years in the Royal Air Force leading a team of dedicated men and women who put duty before self. Following which I had emered industry and with the help of colleagues created and led to international success a major radar company. For the last four years before joining the Post Office I directed one of Britain's leading electronic groups exporting on a massive global scale against world competition.

This is simply to say that this is the track record of someone Mr Levin describes as "one of those clowns of such stupifying incapacity". But my purpose is not to defend my record or reputation but to defend the many thousands of loyal employees of the Post Office from the Chairman down to the postman or telephone engineer and operator, who daily serve the British public.

For six years I have worked immediately under the Chairman, Sir William Ryland. I have sat through countless Board meetings and long nights of negotiation when we have wrestled with the many problems that have confronted us. His outstanding competence, his dedication to duty and his immense sacrifice of personal life deserve a better comment than to be described as "a poor dope who cannot count". For six years since the establishment of the Corporation Sir William and the Board have had to struggle with immense problems of which by far the most significant has been the inability of successive governments not to interfere in the commercial judgment of the Board. Despite what Mr Levin may think we are perfectly capable of counting but we are compelled to use a form of arithmetic that is acceptable to politicians. In the autumn of 1974 we could not, as a nationalized industry, base our financial assumptions on a belief that the social contract would fail, strongly as we may have believed that it might. But it did and this coupled with other economic movements will add over £200 million to our current account.

During the past six years massive strides have been made in modernizing Britain's telephone system. The total system has been increased in size by nearly 60 per cent with less than a 10 per cent increase in manpower. Modern designs of equipment are steadily replacing the outdated and often worn out equipment we inherited from the old GPO. Last year we successfully handled over 15,000 million telephone calls. We are second only to the United States in our development of space communications linking Britain to the rest of the world. This and much more has been achieved by the united efforts of the Chairman, the Board and the 250,000 men and women who throughout every day and night of the year in fair and foul weather serve the British public with a sense of dedication I have rarely encountered in my very extensive experience.

The same spirit prevails in the postal service but they have an immense problem to grapple with. The United States, with all its technology and efficiency, faces an identical problem with no greater success, so indeed do all comparable countries. The essence of the problem is simple but the solution baffling. Postal traffic is in an inevitable decline as telecommunications in all its forms captures increasing traffic, while the expansion of cities calls for wider distribution. Mechanization is of limited application. Manpower, which is fundamental to our present concept of a postal service, becomes an ever increasing expense. There is no simple facile answer to it. The basic dilemma is do you run the service on a commercial basis in which case charges must inevitably rise faster than the cost of living, or do you in one way or another ask the taxpayer to subsidize it as a social service?

No doubt Bernard Levin knows how to deal with it but whether he would have the same clear cut simple vision after six years or even six months on the Post Office Board grappling with the problems that confront the Post Office is another matter. Sir, I suggest the only counting he would be interested in would be how many days it could take him to return to the privilege of exercising power without responsibility.

Yours faithfully,
E. FENNESSEY, Deputy Chairman,
Post Office and Managing Director Telecommunications.
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July 17.

Wages control: a role for the unions

From Lord Brown

Sir, Professor Galbraith's letter (July 16) is like a breath of fresh air in its castigation of much of the thinking of so many of our economists. But he does not go far enough in talking about what is necessary if we are to avoid continuous wage and general inflation.

We have a national problem which is not yet recognized as being constitutional by nature. Our history, and particularly that of the nineteenth century, has shown that whenever we have power groups in society which do not possess a constitutional means of affecting the process of legislation then those power groups will inevitably use disruptive methods to influence our affairs.

The nineteenth century way of dealing with such power groups was to extend to them the right to vote in parliamentary elections. These extensions of the franchise were achieved by a succession of Reform Acts. Thus did the United Kingdom avoid those revolutionary situations which afflicted other European countries.

Today the power groups are trade unions. Their members, as citizens, already are enfranchised. But in their occupational roles they are not. These occupational power groups will not disappear. Already they are unofficially taking a large part in the government of the country—but they do so by threat of disruption of various services and industries. They have no other means of serving the interests of their own members.

The solution to this basic problem is to give the trade unions a constitutional role—subsidiary to Parliament—but accountable, within limits set by Parliament, for deciding, from year to year, what the pattern of differential wages, salaries, hours of work, holidays and pensions should be. Their recommendations would be to Parliament, which could either accept or reject. If accepted they would be made law.

Continued disruptive tactics under such new arrangements would then be in defiance of the law and, perhaps even more important, in defiance of what had been collectively agreed by the trade unions.

We have about one year's breathing space to work out new arrangements—this is just one suggestion. I have worked out its implications in detail and will send a document to anyone interested. I hope others have alternative proposals similarly worked out in detail. Otherwise at the end of our year of grace, we shall find ourselves disastrously back in the hands of the macro-economists, as Professor Galbraith warns.

Yours faithfully,
WILFRED BROWN,
23 Prince Albert Road, NW1.
July 16.

From Mr Peter White

Sir, Economists may have their faults, but Professor Galbraith should not blame them for our reluctance to accept incomes control. For different though compelling reasons, both our major political parties promised not to resort to it, then subsequently introduced it apologetically, and imposed great strains on their internal unity as result. Neither party is easily able to respond to the groundswell of opinion which wants control without repudiating its own past. Traditionally it has been the left which demanded control of the right: freedom to make private profits. But history has changed the balance, and it is now capitalists who are more likely to espouse Thrasymachus's cynical view that freedom (like justice) is the interests of the stronger—the trade unions, of course. Conversely it is the extreme left which now proclaims the virtues of "free" collective bargaining. In self-protection, the middle class consensus wants controls.

The controls, of course, must be "fair". Economists may have good ideas how control should be exercised ("cash limits", for example) but in the last resort control (we hope) depends on consent, and consent can only reflect a general sense of fair play. In the discussion of what constitutes fair play, all voices have a right to be heard, not just economists, and not just trade unions. Unfortunately, we seem to have no political leader ready to make a virtue out of our necessity by getting the discussion started.

Yours faithfully,
PETER WHITE,
Wellington College,
Crowthorne, Berkshire.

From Mr William Shepherd

Sir, To overstate the importance of Professor Galbraith's letter would be difficult. For some considerable time it has been obvious that the overall effect of the economist has been to confuse through a persistent but vain attempt to reconcile precious theories with unprecious realities.

But more important is the view that we must look upon price and wage controls as a permanent aspect of our future economic life. I would venture only one qualification of what the professor says—and it is that, accepting that there should be continuing control of prices and wages, we should still have powerful regard for the other factors necessary for the promotion of growth, the maintenance of employment, and the containing of inflation. The existence of a prices and incomes policy makes it no less necessary to have effective control of government expenditure and to keep the money supply within acceptable limits.

A continuing prices and incomes policy could have results far beyond the containing of inflation. In the absence of such a policy trade unions believe that there is no limit to the demands that they can make; damages cooperation between management and workers. It also produces gross unfairness in wage levels. The acceptance of a continuing policy could well focus public interest upon equity and discourage the use of force; moreover it could bring about the conditions which would give us what we urgently need—a sense of national purpose.

Yours sincerely,
WILLIAM SHEPHERD,
77 George Street,
Portman Square, W1.

Food rationing

From Professor A. N. Duckham

Sir, Professor Mellanby (July 4) urges the temporary introduction of food rationing and cites its successful use in the 1939-45 War. Rationing then had two purposes. Firstly, and overtly, it was to make sure that the rich did not deprive the poor of their *biological* food needs; and to minimize political criticism and to support morale. For this purpose, the government was in effect forced to nationalize food marketing, processing, storage, and wholesale distribution. Such a step would be politically impracticable or socially unacceptable now.

Secondly, and more subtly, the rationing machinery was used to manipulate the prices paid to the farmer and to redirect our limited United Kingdom land area and fertilizer, etc resources towards a food supply system that was biologically more efficient, even if it did result in a dull but physiologically adequate diet. This diet was, for the poor, at least as, if not more efficient than their pre-war diet.

Agriculturally, the second purpose could probably be now achieved by market manipulation by the government on an agency basis (eg, through the Milk Marketing Board, etc) over a period of, say, seven to 10 years. In 1971 I published estimates showing that it would be possible (at least on the Reading University farms) to double the number of people adequately fed per acre if they were willing to cut meat and eggs, but not milk and its products, out of their diets.

This is the nub of the problem. For food habits and preferences are a source of biological inefficiency in food systems. Yet, psychologically and socially, as those of us who worked in the Ministry of Food in the war knew only too well, such habits can only be changed slowly and subtly. The late Jack Drummond called this "doing good by stealth". At the same time, therefore, that the government and research organizations now study ways of raising food output from British soil, they should investigate ways and means of persuading consumers to eat cheaper and biologically more efficient diets. Potentially these would be dull, but modern food science could make them, and in some cases is making them, eg, vegetable proteins, palatable and reasonably attractive.

I am, Sir, yours faithfully,
A. N. DUCKHAM,
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Blewbury, Oxfordshire.
July 4

Fans old and new

From Mr L. Ross Collins

Sir, As Master of the Worshipful Company of Fan Makers, I wish to correct the contents of the opening paragraph of an article written by Bevis Hillier which appeared in *The Times* Saturday Review of July 12, 1975.

His statement that "the Company is now almost totally concerned with electric fans and air conditioning units" is both inaccurate and misleading.

The Company was formed in 1708 to protect the interests of the English Fanmakers, the training of apprentices and the general welfare of those engaged in the craft. With the change in ladies fashion and to keep abreast with the times, in recent years the Company has allied itself with the mechanical fan and air conditioning industry.

Every third year, encouragement and interest in the ladies fan is stimulated by a competition for the best design, open to all art colleges. Similarly, an annual prize is awarded to the outstanding student of the National College of Hearing, Ventilating Refrigeration and Fan Engineering. Our ever-increasing collection of fans was started 45 years ago, the variety and styles of which have been greatly enhanced by gifts graciously given by members of our Royal Family.

Since the reign of Queen Victoria the Company has been privileged to present a fan to ladies of the Royal Family on momentous occasions, such as "Coming of Age", Marriage or Coronation. Here also, I would mention that each year the Master and Wardens make a presentation both beautiful and useful to the Lady Mayoress with which she may "fan" through her Year of Office.

Our fans do not live in closed boxes but as works of art are frequently on display to preserve and enrich the lively interest shared by members of the Company and collectors and the public.

L. ROSS COLLINS,
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Replacing trees

From Dame Sylvia Crowe

Sir, The letter in your columns from Mrs Hope-Simpson (July 14) sounds a much needed note of warning.

Our priceless English landscape, already eroded by urban encroachments, changed farming methods, and the decline of historic landscapes, is now losing one of its most characteristic and beautiful features, as one of our best known trees withers under the continuing attack of Dutch elm disease.

Conscious of the urgency of the situation, the Tree Council has decided to make the replacement of the tree content of our landscape a major part of its activities this year, culminating in National Tree Week (March 6-14, 1976).

While a national policy is needed, local action should not wait upon central government direction. Local communities and individual land-owners can start the process of restoring trees to our land by planning now for autumn planting.

Yours faithfully,
SYLVIA CROWE, Chairman,
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2 Marsham Street, SW1.

After Wimbledon

From Mrs Patricia Arding

Sir, I share both Lord Beswick's enthusiasm for Wimbledon this year (July 8) and his reaction to the large marquee provided for punters. But did he not notice another innovation, piped music on the tea lawn?

Another item to cut out next year, please.

Yours faithfully,
PATRICIA ARDING,
22 Hitchen Hatch Lane,
Sevenoaks, Kent.

East-West détente

From Mr Brian Crozier and others

Sir, A "summit conference" is to be held at the end of this month at Helsinki, following the lengthy Conference on European Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE). It is more urgent than ever, in the opinion of the signatories, to give serious thought to the much-abused terms "détente" and "cold war".

The signatories are strongly in favour of ending the cold war (which has never ended on the Soviet side) and of détente—so long as the détente is true, not illusory.

Relations between France and Germany exemplify a true détente, after three wars in a lifetime. Even in the years between those wars, there was freedom of communication between the two countries. Nowadays, this freedom is taken for granted and there is no censorship of any kind of the attitudes of the one nation to the other.

This is not at all the situation prevailing between the Soviet Union and the non-communist world. Soviet citizens may travel abroad only in groups supervised by the KGB, not as individuals. A West European citizen cannot count on getting a visa to the Soviet Union. The only British newspaper freely available in Moscow is the *Morning Star*, and censorship excludes the great majority of Western publications, and even many non-political books. Yet the Soviet Union was our ally in the war against Hitler.

In the CSCE, and in particular in Committee III dealing with human contacts, travel, education culture and information, the Soviet negotiators have systematically resisted Western proposals designed to give substance to "détente". In this situation, the summit conference can do no more than produce empty declarations of intent, meaningless and unenforceable. Their only practical effect would be to make it easier for the Soviet authorities to resist all future attempts on the Western side to improve real human relations with the Soviet people.

We believe that Western leaders should defer any summit plans until the Soviet government ends arbitrary travel restrictions in the USSR; discrimination against individual visitors; ends restrictive laws making citizens liable to arrest for talking to foreigners; interference with mails and with telephone conversations; the jamming of radio and television; opens its territory to the free circulation of publications from Western Europe and elsewhere; and eliminates minefields, trip-wire machine-guns and other cold war devices between neighbouring European states.

If it is necessary to make an agreement with the Soviet Union in a framework of unremitting unilateral Soviet hostility, so be it. But it is not détente and must not be so called. Let Western leaders, if they go to a summit, publicly speak the truth about what they are doing and not deceive their own peoples.

Yours very truly,
BRIAN CROZIER,
L. B. SCHAPIRO,
G. H. N. SETON-WATSON.

Resisting comprehensives

From Mr Norman St John-Stevas, Conservative MP for Chelmsford

Sir, In your parliamentary report on Wednesday, July 16, you record the fact of Mr Mulley's congratulating me on getting my figures right on education. I wish I could do the same for him but alas am precluded by his own contradictory statements from doing so.

In reply to a question from Mrs Short as to how many local education authorities had failed to announce their intention of complying with the circular 4/74 which demands comprehensive reorganization, he replied seven. I then pressed him to give a complete picture by revealing to the House that another 30 local education authorities had made it clear that they could not go comprehensive before the end of the decade. Mr Mulley then commented that his answer remained seven, adding "the other 23 have accepted that they should change over but . . . they have been unable to put a date when this will be completed."

Yet in a letter to me of July 7 Mr Mulley stated that in addition to the seven who had turned the circular down: "There are about 30 other authorities who have been unable to commit themselves to total reorganization before the end of the decade." In such a matter of prime educational importance it is vital to be accurate: is the right figure 30 authorities or 37? If the latter it is obvious that over a third of all local education authorities are resisting (as they are fully entitled to do) rule by circular and standing for the rule of law.

Yours faithfully,
NORMAN ST JOHN-STEVAS,
House of Commons.
July 16.

Left-handed

From the Rev R. J. Hills

Sir, The Bible records "Seven hundred picked men of the tribe of Benjamin who were left-handed; every one could sling a stone at a hair, and not miss." (Judges 20:16). I once heard that in the days of the Empire there was a body of native troops in India who were all left-handed and crack marksmen.

In 1969 you published a letter giving 12 local names for a left-handed person, ranging from clicky-handed in Cornwall, coochy in Dorset and squippy in Wiltshire to cuddy-wifter in Lancashire and dolly-pawed and kay-neived in Yorkshire.

Yours truly,
JONATHAN HILLS,
Iffley Rectory,
Oxford.

St Paul's School site

From Mr Robert Balfe

Sir, It is regrettable that Dame Margot Fonteyn (July 11) should have been persuaded to write in support of the campaign against my committee's proposed development of the St Paul's site when she was quite clearly not in possession of all the facts.

When I assumed responsibility for directing the GLC's housing development effort two months ago, I was concerned to find that the St Paul's site was still undeveloped after being in the Council's possession for a number of years. The reason for this delay was that the housing scheme was being constantly amended to take account of the views of Hammersmith Borough Council and locally expressed opinion. The cost to the ratepayers of this delay was about £5,000 a week. Governments, as Bernard Levin rightly keeps telling us, are elected to govern, and I believed that after substantial local consultation a decision had to be taken now.

If Dame Margot wishes me to reconsider, I am prepared to do so, but it will cost her £5,000 for every seven days she keeps me talking.

Yours faithfully,
RICHARD A. BALFE, Chairman,
Housing Development Committee,
Greater London Council,
County Hall, SE1.

Psychiatry in Russia

From Dr Anthony Storr

Sir, I am writing to support Bernard Levin's plea, in his excellent article of today's date (July 3), that British psychiatrists should make some more effective collective protest against the misuse of psychiatry by Soviet psychiatrists. Over two months ago I sent a letter to the commandant of the hospital in which Leonid Plyushch is confined, suggesting that he should be taken off drugs, transferred to an ordinary psychiatric hospital and that his case should be reviewed by an independent panel of psychiatrists.

Copies were sent to the USSR Deputy Minister of Health, to the Minister of Internal Affairs responsible for the prison-hospitals, and to the Chief of the Medical Service. None have replied. Individual protests have their place; but protests from professional bodies such as the Royal College of Psychiatrists and the World Psychiatric Association are likely to be more effective.

Yours faithfully,
ANTHONY STORR,
The Warneford Hospital,
Warneford Lane,
Headington,
Oxford.

Struck by lightning

From Mr R. A. Jones

Sir, The police constable who escaped with nothing more than a headache after being struck by lightning was more fortunate than the officer in Mr Shaw's *Passion, Poison and Petrifaction*. In that play, the death of the policeman after a similar occurrence was explained by Shaw with the words: "The lightning was attracted by the copper!"

Nature imitating art once again.

I remain your obedient servant,
R. A. JONES,
19 Grosvenor Road,
Chiswick, W4.

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

July 17: His Excellency Dr Mohamed Kheir Osman was received in audience by The Queen this morning and presented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Democratic Republic of Sudan to the Court of St James's.

His Excellency was accompanied by the following members of the Embassy who had the honour of being presented to Her Majesty: Dr Taha Hassan Al-Nur (Minister Plenipotentiary), Colonel Mohamed Towfig Khalil (Military, Naval and Air Attaché), Sayed Mohamed Ali Saadabi (Second Secretary), Sayed El Khidir Abdulla El Khidir (Second Secretary), Sayed M. El Kheir Ahmed Hassan (Acting Cultural Counsellor), and Major El Tigani Mohamed El Tigani (Assistant Military, Naval and Air Attaché).

Madame Osman had the honour of being received by The Queen.

Sir Thomas Brimelow (Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs), who had the honour of being received by Her Majesty, was present and the Gentlemen of the Household in Waiting were in attendance.

His Excellency Mr Lebang Mogaetsho Mpotokwane and Mrs Mpotokwane were received in farewell audience by The Queen and took leave upon his Excellency relinquishing his appointment as High Commissioner for the Republic of Botswana in London.

Mr Shridath Surendranath Ramphal had the honour of being received by Her Majesty upon his appointment as Commonwealth Secretary-General.

Mrs Ramphal had the honour of being received by The Queen.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh gave an Afternoon Party in the Garden of Buckingham Palace

Princess Alexandra, the Hon Mrs Angus Ogilvy was present.

Her Majesty's Body Guard of the Honourable Corps of Gentlemen-at-Arms and The Queen's Bodyguard of the Yeomen of the Guard were on duty.

The Bands of the Scots Guards and the 1st Battalion, The Royal Green Jackets, played selections of music during the afternoon.

The Duke of Edinburgh, as President of the Royal Agricultural Society of the Commonwealth, attended part of the morning session of the final day of the 1975 Conference at the University College of Wales, Aberystwyth.

His Royal Highness subsequently returned to London in an aircraft of the Queen's Flight.

Major Vyvyan Harmsworth was in attendance.

CLARENCE HOUSE

July 17. Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother today visited County Durham, and in the morning opened the Timothy Hackworth Museum at Shildon.

In the afternoon Her Majesty visited Bowes House, St John's College, University of Durham.

Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was present this evening at a Reception given for delegates attending the Annual Conference of the Museums Association at Beamish Hall, the North of England Open Air Museum.

The Hon Mrs John Mulholland and Sir Martin Gilliat were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE

July 17: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, as President of the Royal Ballet, this evening attended a performance by the Royal Ballet School at Richmond Theatre.

Mrs Jocelyn Stevens was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE

July 17: Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester today visited the East of England Show, Peterborough.

Miss Jean Maxwell-Scott was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE

July 17: The Duchess of Kent, as Chancellor, today presided at congregations for the conferment of degrees at the University of Leeds.

Miss Jane Pugh was in attendance.

Today's engagements

The Queen visits 1st Battalion, The Royal Green Jackets, Connaught Barracks, Dover, 11.45.

The Duke of Edinburgh visits Festival of Flowers and Treasures, Cirencester, 12.

Princess Anne, attends garden party for tercentenary of Royal Observatory, Herstmonceux Castle, 12.45.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, as Chancellor, visits Dundee University, 10.20.

Exhibition: French Patriotic Prints 1914-1918, Imperial War Museum, 10-5.30.

Antiques Fair: Corn Exchange, Brighton, 11-8.

Lecture: Industrial Archeology in London, by Andrew Taylor, St Katherine Cree, Leadenhall Street, 7.

Birthdays today

Sir Andrew Clark, QC, 77; Sir Geoffrey Eley, 71; Viscount Esher, 62; Sir Ivan Ewart, 56; Sir Geoffrey Harrison, 67; Professor H. L. A. Hart, 68; Sir Gilmour Jenkins, 81; Sir Grey Massiah, 67; Sir John Partridge, 67; Sir Robert Speed, QC, 70; Sir Ivo Stourton, 74; Sir George Warner, 96.

Service dinner

Liverpool University OTC

The annual camp dinner of Liverpool University Officers' Training Corps, at which the retiring commanding officer, Lieutenant-Colonel E. T. Boddye, was dined out, was held last night at Deverell Barracks, Ripon.

Woodwind prices steadier than strings but 1694 violin reaches £11,000

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

An important violin made by Francesco Rugeri of Cremona, in 1694, complete with its original label, was sold for £11,000 (estimate £12,000 to £15,000) at Sotheby's yesterday. There was also a Venetian violin of 1709 by Mattio Goffriller at £6,400 (estimate £6,000 to £8,000).

A violin and bow that had belonged to Maria Milanollo, the nineteenth-century Italian musician, just failed to reach the owner's reserve prices. The violin was by Antonius and Hieronymus Amati, dating from about 1620-30, and was bought in at £11,000 (estimate about £10,000). The silver-mounted bow, made by François Tourte of Paris in the early nineteenth century, was bought in at £4,500 (estimate £2,000 to £3,000).

Woodwind prices were more buoyant than for stringed instruments. In the string section bidding was selective, with little interest in the minor items.

A sale of pewter at Sotheby's saw prices mainly up to estimate. A rare tapering Stuart tavern mug of about 1680-1700, 5¼ inches high, was sold for £800 (estimate £500 to £1,000) to Price Glover. Mundy paid £680 for a multiple-reeded charger of about 1700 by Richard Smith. In the Continental section, a bulbous lidded flagon by Leonard Wehrlen of Strasbourg, dating from the early eighteenth century, made £620 (estimate £500 to £700).

Sotheby Parke Bernet in Los Angeles have been holding a three-day sale of the Gloria folk art collection of the Immaculate Heart College, Los Angeles. The collection totalled £73,972, with the top prices among the musical items. A German coin-operated upright mahogany disc polyphon made $3,500 (estimate $1,000 to $1,500) or £1,500; a French blackamoor automaton musical box made $2,800 (estimate $450 to $750) or £1,272.

The contents of Denton Park, Yorkshire, made £211,155, sold by Henry Spencer and Sons. Colnaghi's, the London dealers, paid £7,800 for a rocky landscape by Salvatore Rosa catalogued with the title "Asking the Way": the painting had been at Denton since the 1760s. There was also an embossed silk Kashan rug at £7,000, which went to Darouk, and a pair of French nineteenth-century commode cabinets, veneered in tulipwood and rosewood, at the same price.

Seymour paid £8,800 for an emerald-and-diamond brooch set in platinum, and Solden gave £7,600 for a set of four 1807 silver sauceboats, covers and stands, engraved with the arms of Henry Pelham-Clinton, fourth Duke of Newcastle-under-Lyme.

Christie's held a healthy sale of English furniture yesterday. Partridge paid the top price of £2,520 (estimate £2,500 to £3,000) for a pair of George II giltwood side tables with marble tops. A pair of George III mahogany library armchairs made £2,310 (estimate £1,500 to £1,800) and a Regency mahogany Carlton House desk made £1,995 (estimate £2,000 to £2,500).

Prices in a sale of arms and armour were a little uneven. The highest price was £2,940 (estimate £2,500 to £3,500) for an early-seventeenth-century Nuremberg wheel-lock sporting gun. A rare pair of Forsyth patent pocket pistols of about 1821 went to Van Dam at £2,310 (estimate £2,000); they had sold at Christie's in 1972 for £1,260.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr D. T. Anderson and Miss S. F. Barber

The engagement is announced between Derek Tyson, youngest son of Mr H. Anderson and the late Mrs Anderson, of Barrow-in-Furness, and Susan Frances, daughter of Mr and Mrs G. M. Barber, of Bickley, Kent.

Mr G. B. Dryden and Miss J. Urie

The engagement is announced between George B. Dryden, King's Road, Loggniddry, East Lothian, and Jean Urie, 18B Mortonhall Road, Edinburgh, daughter of Mr William Urie, Northcote, Turnberry, Ayrshire.

Mr P. McHugh and Miss H. Devlin

The engagement is announced between Patrick, eldest son of Capt B. McHugh, RN, and Mrs McHugh, of Adlington, Cheshire, and Henrietta, daughter of Dr and Mrs H. F. Devlin, 58 Grove Park, London, SE5.

Mr A. K. Proud and Miss L. Howell

The engagement is announced between Adam, only son of Mr and Mrs E. L. Proud, of Midhurst, Sussex, and Lucy, only daughter of Mr and Mrs M. J. Howell, of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire.

Mr C. J. Willoughby and Miss B. A. V. Hayward

The engagement is announced between Colin James, son of Canon and Mrs B. D. Willoughby, of Renvyle, co Galway, and Bridget Anne Veronica, youngest daughter of Brigadier P. H. C. Hayward, CBE, and Mrs Hayward, of Roughton, Norfolk.

Mr D. R. P. Cripps and Miss H. J. Teesdale

The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and Mrs C. P. Cripps, of Bayclaw, Copyhold Lane, Cuckfield, Sussex, and Hermione, daughter of Mr and Mrs E. B. Teesdale, of the Hogge House, Buxted, Sussex.

Captain P. W. Gore and Miss J. P. Bedford

The engagement is announced between Captain Peter Wentworth Gore, The Queen's Own Hussars, son of Brigadier and Mrs F. N. W. Gore, 11 Coleherne Court, Little Boltons, London, SW5, and Joanna Penelope, younger daughter of Mr J. G. Bedford and the late Mrs Bedford, of Market Stainton Hall, Lincoln.

Mr I. D. W. Jones and Miss N. Owen

The engagement is announced between Ifor David Wynne, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Trevyn Jones, of Kew Gardens, Surrey, and New Quay, Dyfed, and Nesta, third and twin daughter of Mr and Mrs R. D. Owen, Caemar, Dinas, Fishguard.

Mr G. B. Stoddart and Miss L. C. A. Williams

The engagement is announced between Gareth, youngest son of Mr and Mrs A. D. Stoddart, of Cothelstone, Taunton, Somerset, and Lorna, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs R. O. M. Williams, of Cross Roads, Currie, Midlothian.

Mr R. C. C. Taylor and Miss J. H. Gardner

The engagement is announced between Richard Cecil Charlton, only son of Mr and Mrs Cecil C. Taylor, of Pheasant Field, Burton, Wirral, and Judith Helen, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs A. Graham Gardner, of The Croft, Hightown, Merseyside.

Mr P. H. B. Curtiss and Miss S. E. M. Brown

The engagement is announced between Peter Curtiss, of Lymington, Hampshire, and Barbara Brown, of Walmer, Kent.

Dr M. J. R. Feehally and Miss G. M. E. Rodgers

The engagement is announced between John, son of the late Lieutenant-Colonel William Feehally, The Northamptonshire Regiment, and of Mrs Sheila Cowen, of Rogate, Sussex, and Geraldine, daughter of Mr and Mrs Thomas Rodgers, of Stamford, Lincolnshire

Mr D. M. cL. Rabagliati and Miss J. Harman

The engagement is announced between David, elder son of Mr and Mrs A. B. Rabagliati, of The Manor House, Mears Ashby, Northamptonshire, and Jane, daughter of Mr Geoffrey Harman, of Hampstead, London, and Mrs George Him, of 37B Gresille Road, London, NW2.

Mr M. K. Walford and Dr C. S. Lanyi

The engagement is announced between Martin, second son of Mr and Mrs Adolph Walford, of 42 The Four Tubs, Little Bushey Lane, Bushey, Hertfordshire, and Claire, only daughter of Mr Robert Lanyi, of 5 Hampstead Heights, Heathview, London, N2.

Marriage

Mr B. Wexham and Miss S. Durance

The marriage took place on Thursday, July 17, 1975, of Mr Brian Wexham, youngest son of Mr and Mrs J. V. Wexham, of Keswick, Hailsham, Sussex, and Miss Susan Durance, only daughter of Mr and Mrs P. Durance, of West Wickham, Kent.

Luncheons

HM Government

Mr David Ennals, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host yesterday at Admiralty House at a luncheon in honour of Dr Emilio Rabasa, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Mexico, and Señora de Rabasa. Among the other guests were:

The Mexican Ambassador and Señora de Marcaín, Sir Peter and Lady Hope, Mr Benjamin Ford, MP, Mr Roderick Mac Farquhar, MP, Dr Harold Blakemore, MP, and Mrs P. Ford, Mr and Mrs S. Halbert, Mr H. G. Edmonds and Mr A. F. Green.

HM Government

Mr Roy Hattersley, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host yesterday at Lancaster House at a luncheon in honour of Dr Patrick Hillery, Vice-President of the Commission of the European Communities, and Mrs Hillery. The other guests included:

Mr Fian Gluss Gundelach, Dr and Mrs Mans-Broeker Krohg, Mr and Mrs Edmond Strauss, Mr and Mrs Andre Dubois, Mr and Mrs Pierre Nathusiens, Mrs Shirley Williams, MP, Mr Reginald Maudling, MP, and Mrs Maudling, Dr Gavin Strang, MP, and Mrs Strang, Mr John Roper, MP, and Mrs Roper, Mr Michael Thomas, MP, Mr Robert MacLennan, MP, and Mrs MacLennan, Sir Antony and Lady Part, Sir Marcus and Lady Sieff, Mr and Mrs Ernest Wistrich, DSO, and Mrs Richard Magnus, Mrs V. Cranshaw, Mr D. Gladwyn, Mr and Mrs M. J. Gouldine, Mr and Mrs M. E. Foswell, Miss Juliet Collings and Sir Rooker Westbrook.

Anglo Colombian Society

The Colombian Ambassador, president, and Señora de Vázquez-Carrizosa and Mr J. M. Temple, chairman, and Mrs Temple received the guests at a luncheon given yesterday by the Anglo Colombian Society at the Savoy Hotel to commemorate Colombia's National Day Dr Jorge Ramirez Ocampo, Colombian Minister of Development, was the principal guest, and others present included:

The Peruvian Ambassador and Señora de Noriega, the Venezuelan Ambassador and Señora de Pérez de la Cova, the Ambassador for Panama and Señora de Bisot, the Ambassador for Ecuador and Señora de Yepez, the Bolivian Ambassador and Señora de Ugarte Baldivia, the Chilean Chargé d'Affaires and Señora de Rosa, the Hon David and Mrs Montgomery, Sir John and Lady Rae, Mr J. de Beaufort, Mr Anthony Kershaw, MP, and Mrs Kershaw and Mr and Mrs T. E. Rogers.

Receptions

HM Government

Mr Fred Peart, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, was host at a reception held by her Majesty's Government at Lancaster House yesterday, in honour of delegates attending the Commonwealth Agricultural Bureaux Review Conference.

HM Government

Mr Stanley Clinton Davis, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Department of Trade, was host at a reception held at Lancaster House last night in honour of delegates attending an International Colloquium on Insurance and the Consumer.

Royal Greenwich Observatory

The Royal Society and the Royal Astronomical Society held a joint reception yesterday evening to celebrate the tercentenary of the Royal Greenwich Observatory.

Lord Jacobson

The life barony conferred on Mr Sydney Jacobson has been gazetted by the name, style and title of Baron Jacobson, of St Albans, Hertfordshire.

OBITUARY

DR L. F. POWELL

An eminent Johnsonian scholar

Dr Lawrence Fitzroy Powell, English scholar and sometime librarian of the Taylorian Institution of the University of Oxford, died yesterday at the age of 93.

After the death of R. W. Chapman he had become the greatest Johnsonian authority of the older generation.

Powell was born in Oxford on August 9, 1881. He was educated at All Saints' Boys Orphanage, Blackheath. In 1895, after a period in the library of Brasenose College, he joined the staff of the Bodleian Library. Seven years later Sir William Craigie invited him to work on the *Oxford English Dictionary*. Through this employment he met his future wife, Ethelwyn Rebecca Steane. They were married in 1909 and had one son. Mrs Powell died in 1941. During the war of 1914-18, being placed in a low medical category, he worked at the Admiralty. In 1921 he was appointed Librarian of the Taylorian Institution, the centre in Oxford of the study of modern European languages; he held this office until he retired in 1949. During his time the institution enlarged its premises; the library increased greatly in bulk (he was a skilful buyer) and usefulness.

In 1923 Powell was entrusted with the revision of Birkbeck Hill's great edition of Boswell's *Life of Johnson*. The discipline of the *Dictionary* was a good preparation for this work. His primary task was to establish the text, for which some manuscript material had become available. But the work grew under his hand. Four volumes, containing the *Life* proper, appeared in 1934; the fifth and sixth, containing the *Tour to the Hebrides* and the famous index, in 1950. The commentary and the index were greatly improved. The volume containing the *Tour to the Hebrides* was virtually a new work. Hill's knowledge of eighteenth-century Scotland was imperfect; Powell spent much time in Scotland visiting the scenes of the tour, working in Scottish libraries, and making acquaintance with Scottish scholars. His wife and other scholars also helped him, and not least Dr R. W. Chapman and Professor F. A. Pottle; but the heart of the work was Powell's unremitting pursuit of accuracy in detail. The edition is the greatest monument of the eighteenth-century scholarship that has flourished in Oxford in our time. It is a model of learning, of accuracy, and of skilful and sometimes witty presentation. As by-products there were a number of articles, notably one on the history of Percy's *Reliques*. In 1958 came a new separate edition of the *Tour to the Hebrides*; in 1963 an edition, in collaboration with Professor W. J. Bate, of *The Adventurer*, forming part of the Yale Edition of Johnson's Works; and in 1964 new editions of the fifth and sixth volumes of the great Boswell.

Powell became first an honorary and later a full Master of Arts of Oxford, and an honorary Doctor of Letters of Durham; he was also a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature and an honorary member of the Modern Languages Association of America. He was a vice-president of the Bibliographical Society and of other societies. He served on the committees of two great American projects, the Yale editions of Boswell's Private Papers and of Johnson's Works. He visited the United States more than once and was an honoured guest at Johnsonian celebrations there. He was especially pleased when he was granted Senior Common Room rights at Brasenose College. For many years he was a leading member of the Johnson Club.

Powell lived to an unusual degree in the eighteenth century, and especially in Johnson's Oxford. Within that field, and considerably beyond, he was a most clubbable man, eager to meet every inhabitant and to welcome every entrant; established scholars who found in him inspiration, information and advice, postgraduate students to whom he was a generous and kindly supervisor, casual aspirants whom he did what he could to guide and encourage. He was a lively correspondent, and his notes on matters of large interest in Johnsonian scholarship or points of small detail were a joy to receive. His social and scholarly qualities combined to bring him large numbers of friends in this country and overseas. On his eightieth birthday there was a tribute of spontaneous admiration and affection from both sides of the Atlantic.

DR E. A. WATSON

Dr Ernest Ansley Watson, OBE, a former director of Joseph Lucas Ltd, and an electrical and mechanical engineer of distinction, has died at the age of 88.

Born in 1887, he studied mechanical and electrical engineering at Birmingham University and went on to specialize in high voltage work at Liverpool University, gaining his MSc in 1909.

He then joined the small firm of Morris and Lister in Coventry and when the First World War broke out worked on ignition problems. The firm had been instructed to copy Bosch magnetos to supplement the very limited British facilities available at that point, but as a result of fundamental work on ignition problems, done by Watson, greatly improved magneto designs particularly for aero engines were developed. For this work he was awarded the OBE in 1918.

Under his direction, Morris and Lister's postwar activities included air turbine driven miners' lamps and a wide range of ignition equipment for a rapidly expanding motor industry.

In 1930 Lucas took over Morris and Lister and Watson became Chief Engineer and subsequently a Director of Joseph Lucas.

His projects during the Second World War included the electrical traverse gear which formed the basis of the turret traverse of Churchill tanks. But in 1940 his company became involved with the Whittle jet engine, then in the prototype stage. He developed the fundamental understanding of the combustion and fuel injection systems needed for gas turbine engines.

His strenuous efforts in this developing sphere saw him as an original member of the Ministry of Aircraft Production's Gas Turbine Collaboration Committee, spawned the new company Lucas Gas Turbine Equipment Ltd—later incorporated within the Lucas Aerospace Group—and gained him an Honorary DSc from the University of Birmingham.

Later he was a Member and subsequently Fellow of the Institutes both of Mechanical and Electrical Engineers and contributed many papers over the years to those and other engineering societies on a wide range of subjects connected with ignition and fuel systems.

He was Chairman of the Automobile Division of the Institute of Mechanical Engineers from 1949 to 1950 and in 1955 was awarded its James Clayton Prize for his work on gas turbines.

Dr Watson was married, with two sons and two daughters.

Professor Maurice Freedman, Professor of Social Anthropology, University of Oxford, died on July 14 at the age of 54.

Mr Trafford Smith, CMG, Lieutenant-Governor of Malta 1953-59 and Ambassador to Burma 1967-70, died on July 15. He was 83.

Nathan Barnes, Liberian Ambassador to the United Nations, died in hospital in New York on July 16. He was 61.

Mr Clarkson Leo Burgess, CBE, who died on July 15 at the age of 72, was Clerk of the Peace for the County of London, 1941-68.

Law Report July 17 1975

Queen's Bench Division

Eviction warrant covers all persons on premises

Regina v Wandsworth County Court, ex parte Wandsworth London Borough Council

Before Lord Widgery, Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Milmo and Mr Justice Wien

Where squatters had switched premises in an attempt to frustrate the execution of a warrant for possession made pursuant to a County Court order for possession and rule 26 of the County Court Rules, a County Court registrar was held to have erred in law in instructing bailiffs not to execute the warrant by ejecting a squatter who was not a party to the proceedings before the court. The registrar should have instructed the bailiffs to eject all persons on the premises.

The Divisional Court granted Wandsworth London Borough Council, the freeholders of a house in Stainforth Road, Battersea, an order of mandamus directing the registrar of Wandsworth County Court (Mr David Price) to execute according to law the warrant for possession forthwith against all persons occupying the premises.

Order 26 of the County Court Rules provides: "1 (1) Where a person claims possession of land which he alleges is occupied solely by a person or persons (not being tenants . . .) who entered into or remained in occupation without his licence or consent . . . the proceedings may be brought by originating application. . . . 2. [Where the applicant is unable, after taking reasonable steps, to identify every person occupying the land for the purpose of making him a respondent.] The applicant shall file in support of the originating application an affidavit stating . . . that he has taken reasonable steps (describing them) to identify the persons occupying the land who are not named in the originating application."

Mr Colin Ross-Munro, QC, and Miss Barbara Dohmann for the council; Mr David Watkinson for Mr Glyn Chorley, a squatter.

The LORD CHIEF JUSTICE said that the case was important because the issue was one on which opinions differed although the court did not find it difficult.

Mr and Mrs Heron, who were squatters, entered the premises last February, without the council's permission. The council took steps to turn them out. Until recently, by the rules of the High Court and the County Court, it was difficult to bring proceedings against unidentifiable persons and the possibility of proceedings against them was remote. The rules had been changed and Order 26 of the County Court Rules set out new procedure to deal with such situations; and a form of application was authorized to be used to obtain possession against persons remaining in possession without licence. The order stated that if a landlord could not identify persons and had taken reasonable steps to indentify them he could proceed with the application.

The council's application named Mr and Mrs Heron as being in occupation. The application said that the council applied to the court for an order for recovery of possession of the premises on the ground that they were entitled to possession and that the persons in occupation were in occupation without licence or consent.

At the County Court hearing on May 5 the Herons were present, together with a Mr Denne and a Mr McGrath, who were joined in the proceedings at their own request, to enable them to be heard. The judge made an order for possession in Form 400 of the County Court forms. It was much simpler than the form existing before Order 26. It stated: "It is ordered that the applicant . . . do recover possession of the land mentioned in the originating application in this matter. . . ."

Order 26, rule 6(2) provided that the form of warrant should be in Form 401. It was also in simple form and recited: ". . . You are therefore required to give possession of the said land to the applicant . . .". The "You" was the bailiff. The warrant authorized him to turn out persons, and not only authorized the bailiff to put the applicant back in possession but required him so to do.

The bailiffs found on the premises—not the Herons or Mr Denne or Mr McGrath, who had all gone elsewhere—but Mr Glyn Chorley and his four children. There was no dispute that he had no legal right: he was a squatter. The squatters had switched premises with others in an attempt to keep ahead of the law.

The question was whether the bailiffs should have gone ahead and turned Mr Chorley out or should they have done what they in fact did—report back to the court registrar that there was a man in possession of the premises who had not been a party to the proceedings.

The registrar, acting contrary to his own personal views but bowing to the superior knowledge of his brother registrars, believed that where bailiffs went to obtain possession under an Order 26 warrant and found in possession of the premises a person who was not a party to the proceedings they must leave that person in possession and await further proceedings against him—ie, leave Mr Chorley where he was pending further proceedings.

It was said for the council that the proposition that a warrant of possession under Order 26 could not be executed except against persons named in the proceedings and their wives and dependants was false and that the warrant could be executed against Mr Chorley.

In *Upton v Wells* ((1686) 1 Leo 145) it was held that the bailiff's authority was to evict all persons in possession.

The court derived assistance from *In re Wykeham Terrace* ([1971] Ch 204, 209), which was decided before the new procedure in Order 26 or Order 113 of the Rules of the Supreme Court came into force. Mr Justice Stamp clearly accepted that a sheriff or bailiff when executing a writ of possession would be bound to turn out those he found upon the land whether or not they were bound by the judgment.

Similar words were used by the Master of the Rolls in *McPhail v Persons, Names Unknown* ([1973] Ch 447, 458).

There was no authority for the proposition that when sheriffs and bailiffs executed a warrant for possession they had to refrain from evicting a person they found on the premises merely because he was not a party to the proceedings. His Lordship would have been astonished if that had been so at present since it would have rendered Order 26 ineffective.

The answer was not that Order 26 had altered the law. It had always been lawful for the sheriff in the enforcement of a warrant for possession to turn out people in possession even though they had not been parties to the proceedings.

The registrar should have levied execution of the warrant against Mr Chorley. Mandamus would go with a direction to that effect.

Solicitors: Mr C. Tapp; Mr M. C. Sherwood.

Latest wills

Residue for charity

Miss Muriel Stott, of Colwyn Bay, left £345,114 net (no duty shown). After personal bequests totalling more than £60,000, she left the residue for such charitable and benevolent objects in Britain as her trustees decide.

Mrs Gladys Elizabeth Mary Newman, of Croydon, left £84,561 net (no duty shown). After personal bequests totalling £1,400 she left the residue among the PDSA, RSPCA, Dumb Friends League and the National Canine Defence League.

Other estates include (net, before duty paid; duty on some estates not disclosed):

Bateson, Lieutenant-Colonel David Mayhew, of Liverpool £135,762
Boulton, Mr Robert Sinclair, of Modbury, Devon, intestate £115,230
Ford, Mr Frederick Johnson, of Bournemouth, company director £353,941
McCracken, Miss Marjorie Laure, of Summertown, Oxfordshire (duty paid, £116,929) £268,583
Mitchell, Mr James Frederick, of Leicester, shoe manufacturer £211,835

Dinner

Free Church Federal Council

The Archbishop of York and Mrs Blanch were present yesterday at a dinner given in their honour by Sir Cyril and Lady Black, under the auspices of the Free Church Federal Council, at the Connaught Rooms. The Moderator of the Free Church Federal Council, the Rev Donald R. Lee, presided.

Ironmongers' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Ironmongers' Company: Master, M. R. Warren; Senior Warden, J. R. Crickmay; Junior Warden, Lieutenant-Colonel R. H. C. Probert.

25 years ago

From The Times of Tuesday, July 18, 1950

Groundnut liquor

Sir Eric Coates, chairman of the Overseas Food Corporation, has written to Mr Anthony Hurd, MP, explaining the circumstances in which the corporation is disposing of 18,000 bottles of spirits now declared surplus to the requirements of the groundnut scheme.

In his letter the chairman of the corporation explains that at the time these stocks were ordered local supplies were limited and orders had to be placed outside the territory six to nine months ahead. By the end of 1948 the accumulation delivered or in process of delivery was not extensive, having regard to the proposed size of the project. Several new factors in 1949 altered the position. The scope of the scheme was reduced, and local supplies, particularly of beer, became in free supply. Finally, the corporation handed over its retail trade at Kongwa and Urambo to private enterprise and only limited supplies of the liquor were taken over by traders.

Latest appointments

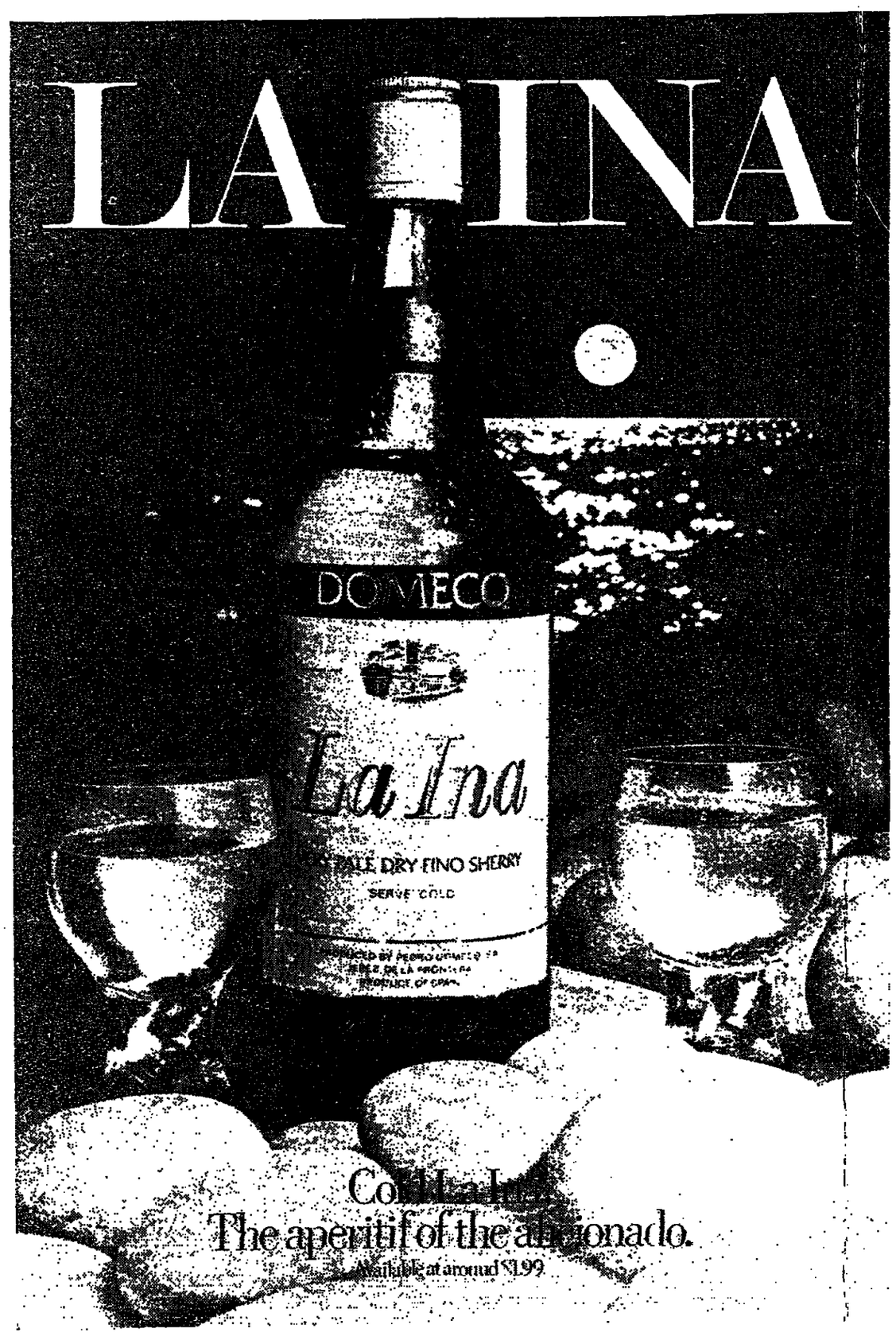
Latest appointments include:

Mr Alan Warhurst, director of the Ulster Museum, to be president of the Museums Association.

Mrs M. Thomas and Mr G. Powell, both members of Gwent County Council, to be members of the board of Cymbran Development Corporation for two years in succession to Mr J. Williams and Mr R. C. Swains.

£500,000 appeal

The Star and Garter Home for seriously disabled ex-sailors, soldiers and airmen at Richmond upon Thames launched an appeal yesterday for £500,000 for ward modernization.



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The Bank sounds City institutions on £500m scheme for investment aid

By Maurice Corina and Christopher Wilkins

Radical proposals for improving the City's capability of assessing industry may emerge from the Bank of England before long.

Among ideas under exploratory discussion is the creation of a new £500m institution for equity investment, backed by pension funds and others, which would work alongside the National Enterprise Board and Finance For Industry.

Although the Bank is guarded about the nature of Sir current discussions, led by strong ew industrial adviser Lord City Henry Benson, there are are being ndications that exist for their nancial institutions whether they iscreetly sounded a new FFI-type pinions on channelling pen- ould support other money into organization or on and se is saying too much arties. delicate stage of discus- No one but the Bank believes it his respond to a recent ons: eal from Lord Ryder, chair- ustrian-elect of the National pr terprise Board, for City in- a stitutions to accept new res- ponsibilities and to work with his board in improving both the investment and management record of British industry.

Last year the Bank together and with the clearing bankers began Finance For Industry raising up to £1,000m for onward institutional funds at interest loans lending as fixed flowing from to industry.

This scheme, bank, has been Mr Harold successful, though new-style institutions are known to broadly concerned about the unsome unprecedly high level of loss be and provisions recently revealed by FFI.

It seems certain, however, that the Bank will not make any positive move towards setting up a new instrument until it is assured of institutional support. The initiative by Lord O'Brien, former governor of the Bank, to involve institutions more actively in the businesses in which they invest proved a failure. The Bank would be loath to risk another rebuff.

The institutions may take a great deal of persuading. It is widely felt that good companies can raise funds through rights issues with the help of a new "equity bank", and that the institutions have already made a sufficient contribution towards helping companies starved of funds by subscribing to FFI issues.

What is beyond doubt is that Sir Henry Benson is engaged in wide-ranging discussions. The creation of a new agency is one of a number of schemes for improving the City's relationship with industry as well as its capability for monitoring performance.

A Confederation of British Industry discussion memorandum, now in Bank hands, suggests for example, a scheme whereby institutions would place an appropriate slab of proxy votes in companies with new investment trust companies, which would provide non-executive directors to represent institutional interests.

This would overcome the objection of pension funds and others to surrendering share ownership, leaving some room for manoeuvre in their investment policies.

It is seen as a way of building up a body of non-executive directors with City links. In Germany, banks hold proxy votes and have people sitting on boards, which reassures other shareholders and improves credit ratings.

The men serving as directors for the investment trust organization would be able to see to it that both significant shareholders and managements acted responsibly towards each other, without the directors being employees of the financial institutinns or owing allegiance to a company's full time management.

The present discussions and soundings are taking place against the background of some trenchant remarks by Lord Ryder, who has declared that in future a big investor who does no like what is going on in a company cannot simply unload the shares.

He wants some machinery whereby he can go to insurance companies and pension funds on a two-way basis to deal with industrial problems. But he is against direction of funds on lines recently advocated within the Labour Party's national executive.

Sir Henry's task, after his initial fact-finding, is to find the common ground between the City and Whitehall as well as industrial boardrooms.

The problem of financing industry has already been the subject of a National Economic Development Office report. Now it is the Bank's turn to respond to the mounting expectation of some new initiative which improves the City's capability for raising investment and improving management, answering its critics while providing some alternatives to the prospect of increased state intervention.

Woolwich chief less confident on future funds

By Margaret Stone

Mr Alan Cumming, general manager of the Woolwich Equitable, has come out strongly against the optimistic comments made on Wednesday by Mr Leonard Williams, chief general manager of Nationwide, who assured both borrowers and housebuilders that mortgage funds would not dry up this year.

Mr Cumming said yesterday that "societies had to be desperately cautious about the future". He added that the Woolwich had a "jaundiced outlook" about expected increases in funds and did not rule out a further slide back in receipts in August and September.

The Woolwich, the fifth largest society in Britain, is concerned about the implications of the White Paper on pay restrictions and its implications for building societies. In particular, Mr Cumming said he feared an "increase in dissaving" and what little trading-up in houses there was at present could cease.

Mr Raymond Potter, chairman of the Halifax, and new head of the Building Societies Association, also spoke yesterday on the effects of the White Paper. Building societies, he said, must be prepared to take without too much complaint, any consequences of the counter-inflationary measures.

He pointed out, however, that on the mortgage side a restriction on incomes meant a corresponding restriction on the amount which a given person could borrow.

Up to recently, house prices had kept comparatively steady and even at existing income levels there remained an unsatisfied demand from people quite capable of meeting the mortgage repayments involved.

Mr Potter, who was speaking in his capacity as chairman of the association, indicated that had net receipts continued to flow into the movement at the same rate as in April (£406m) "rationing would have been very much on the cards" in order to prevent the house market from overheating.

Detailed discussions between the Government and the societies about controlling house price rises by further rationing had not provided a formula for deciding when the brakes would officially have to be applied.

Mr Potter was presenting the first half-year results for the building society movement, which has enjoyed a record six months.

The net intake of cash in the first six months of the year totalled £1,674m, compared with £235m in the first six months of 1974, and £903m in the last six months.

By the end of June, £2,173m had been lent to home-buyers.

Record demand takes up almost all of £750m 'tap' stock

By Tim Congdon

Demand for the latest issue off the dated government stock, Treasury 13¼ per cent 1997, has been exceptionally high. The stock was to have begun trading today as a conventional "tap", but the Bank of England announced yesterday that this would now be necessary.

Applications for the stock have almost exhausted the issue which amounted to £750m when the terms were first announced. The authorities would appear to have sold well in excess of £650m already. This level of demand and the Bank of England's statement are without precedent in the gilt-edged market.

The near exhaustion of the stock follows shortly after the exhaustion of another substantial long-dated issue, Treasury 12¼ per cent 1995. This £500m issue was sold out on Wednesday before last after only three full trading sessions.

So, the authorities have sold well over £1,000m of stock in less than a fortnight. This will probably be welcome to the Government because it helps to finance the public sector borrowing requirement and should restrain money supply growth.

The heavy sales of the two stocks are likely to cause a significant tightening of credit in London financial markets in coming weeks by withdrawing liquidity from the system. The Bank of England has been criticized for the easiness of conditions in the last two or three months which are said to have been associated with excessive growth of the narrowly-defined money supply, M1.

"Tap" sales may be regarded by the Bank as an integral part of its tactics to tighten financial conditions. On Wednesday, when a shortage of funds developed in the discount market, the Bank declined to take out the shortage completely. Yesterday, however, the Bank decided to give assistance on a record scale to relieve the problems caused by the heavy "tap" applications.

Moreover, it is understood that much of the buying of Treasury 13¼ per cent 1997 has occurred because of switching from other gilt-edged stocks. This would normally cause these stocks to fall in value, but the Government broker is thought to have been supporting the market to improve the reception for the "tap".

Even so, it seems certain that the Government broker's net sales of stock in the past fortnight have been huge, particularly at the longer end. The attractiveness of long-dated stocks has been greatly increased by the Government's measures to restrain pay and signs of a slowdown in inflation.

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Americans see marked recovery in growth trend

From Frank Vogl
Washington, July 17

Provisional figures show that real gross national product in the United States declined by just 0.3 per cent in the second quarter of this year, following a record fall of 11.4 per cent in the previous quarter.

Today's figures led government officials to speculate that the third quarter would see a considerable rise in GNP.

Mr Rogers Morton, the Secretary of Commerce, said today's figures showed clearly that the recession "has finally touched bottom" and that the economy was "ready for take-off."

Mr James Pate, the Commerce Department's chief economist, said a detailed analysis of the figures showed that a heavy GNP fall occurred in April, but that the May and June data indicated that the economy was already in a recovery phase.

President Ford was said today to be encouraged by the figures, and Mr Ron Nessen, his press secretary, said that the President had decided now that he would make no decision on whether to extend the current one-year tax rate cuts before the end of 1975.

Gross national product has now declined in real terms for six successive quarters, but almost all economists, both in and out of the government, firmly believe that the third-quarter figures for this year may show real GNP growth at an annual rate of 5 per cent or more.

One of the most encouraging aspects of today's figures was that the inflation rate fell in the last quarter to an annual level of just 5.1 per cent from 8.4 per cent in the first quarter.

A key reason for widespread expectations of production rises this quarter is that the level of business stocks fell by a record $33,700m in the three months to June 30, after a decline in the first quarter of $19,200m. This vast reduction in stocks is believed finally to have brought supply and demand back into better balance.

State to pay electricity, gas deficits

By Peter Hill

The gas and electricity industries will be paid nearly £300m by the Government to cover deficits in the last financial year, when losses were exacerbated by the effects of price restraint policy.

This was disclosed in the Commons yesterday by Mr Anthony Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for Energy, who said that for the financial year 1974-75, the Government would pay the British Gas Corporation £42.3m and electricity boards £257.6m in compensation for price restraint during the period.

These figures, he explained, equalled the audited deficits of the organizations concerned.

The Government is committed to phasing out price restraint subsidies by April next year, although in the current year a small loss is being projected for the electricity supply industry. The gas sector is expected to break even if its current application for a 20 per cent increase in prices in the autumn is successful.

In the previous financial year British Gas received price restraint compensation payments totalling £41.5m while the sum paid to the electricity boards amounted to £176.3m.

London sugar soars on hint of big Soviet deals

By Wallace Jackson
Commodities Editor

Prices went up sharply on the London markets yesterday on persistent rumours that the Russians had made large purchases of sugar from the Philippines. At least 15 cargoes of 10,000 tons each were being mentioned, and the London sugar market will probably remain nervous and erratic until the situation is clarified.

The London daily price for raw sugar yesterday rose £15 a ton to £185 and futures rose between £22.75 and £19.25 a ton.

Cocoa prices first rose on overnight strength in New York, which was inspired by news of the grain sale to Russia, and the reports of the sugar deal added to the bullish sentiment. At the close July spot" was £27 up and futures had risen £19.25.

London sources said that reports of the sugar deal had been officially denied in Moscow, but sources in the Philippines were insistent that 15 cargoes had been booked.

NVT 'waves flag' with motor cycles of future

By Edward Townsend

Norton Villiers Triumph yesterday supported its request for state aid by taking the unusual step of unveiling prototype motor cycles and a new engine. They were described as "the basis of the British motor cycle industry of the future".

In what Mr Dennis Poore, the NVT chairman, admitted was a blatant flag-waving exercise, the company showed off two new lightweight machines —a 50cc moped and a 125cc motor cycle—and a new 750cc superbike engine, the Norton Challenge.

All are designed to combat the Japanese dominance of the domestic market.

The NVT move came a few days before the expected announcement from Mr Eric Varley, Secretary of State for Industry, on the Government's future policy towards the motor cycle industry.

The company has said that redundancies and factory closures are inevitable if no further state funds are made available. Mr Poore underlined this yesterday by issuing a warning that, unless additional capital was forthcoming, none of the new products would survive "other than as a foreign make".

The new engine, designed specifically for production line manufacture, would with luck be seen in prototype form on the racetracks this year, Mr Poore said.

Given proper plant to make it, the engine would provide the British reply to Japan. "This is a big event in the British motorcycle industry, the first of its kind for 40 years."

NVT, which operates two Midlands factories, has consistently attacked the Government for giving the go-ahead to the Triumph workers' cooperative at Meriden while not committing further finance to support a three-factory industry.

At yesterday's launching, the company enlisted the support of Mr Michael Heseltine, Opposition spokesman on industry, who said that the decision to try to spread the industry over three factories was "a misjudgment of a major political nature".

He added that before Parliament rose, a "degree of reality" was going to face NVT which was totally out of keeping with assurances given to workers and management.



Mr Poore: Britain's reply to the Japanese.

Stern flats may be sold piecemeal

By Desmond Quigley

Moves are likely to be made in the early autumn to break up the residential property of the failed Stern empire by selling off individual flats.

The only chance of the residential property — which accounts for about a third of the Stern companies' interest—being kept under one umbrella appears to be a last minute intervention from the Department of the Environment. It has always been the Department's policy to oppose the break up of the property. Although its own £17.5m bid earlier this year was rejected as "inadequate" by Mr Kenneth Cork, the liquidator, it is understood that the DoE is still interested in the fate of the flats.

Failing a renewed and acceptable bid from the Department, tenants will be approached to buy their own flats. Where tenants are unwilling or unable to buy the flats will be put on the open market. A campaign to induce tenants to buy will begin in the early autumn.

The chances of tenants' associations buying up entire blocks appear slim at the moment. It is said that so far they have been unable to put up realistic bids.

Dutch Shell in further expansion of £65m

By Peter Hill

Shell Nederland Chemie is to invest a further £65m on development at its chemicals complex at Moerdijk in Holland. The company yesterday disclosed details of the new programme which will push investment under the second stage to £130m.

The development will involve construction of a plant for the production of needle coke with an annual capacity of 100,000 tonnes. It is scheduled to begin operations in the final three months of 1977.

Needle coke will be sold to electrode manufacturers in Western Europe, to be used in the production of graphite electrodes for electric arc furnace steel production.

In a statement the company, part of the Royal Dutch Shell Group, said that two furnaces would be added to the existing gas oil/naphtha cracker which would lift ethylene capacity by 50,000 tonnes annually to 500,000 tonnes annually.

This second phase of development at the plant will also involve construction of a styrene monomer/propylene plant, which is scheduled to come on stream in 1978 and will provide capacity for 330,000 tonnes annually of styrene and 125,000 tonnes a year of propylene oxide.

Planned expansion of the Moerdijk complex will bring total investment there to £250m.

In another development, the National Coal Board announced yesterday that it had entered an agreement with an American company, Catalytic Inc, of Philadelphia, for the worldwide marketing—outside the EEC—of a newly developed NCB process for the production of green coke from coal.

The agreement involves the NCB's wholly-owned subsidiary, Thomas Ness, and will give Catalytic a right to market the process for 10 years. Green coke, which is similar to petroleum coke, can be processed into carbon electrodes used in the production of aluminium.

Fisons announced yesterday that a new phosphoric acid plant has been commissioned in South Africa by Omnia Phosphates.

Bonn boost for banks' bond deals

From Peter Norman
Bonn, July 17

West Germany's Federal Bank today decided to release a further DM1,500m (about £278m) into the country's banking system by bringing minimum rates for banks' foreign liabilities down to the levels in force for domestic liabilities, with effect from August 1.

The decision, which came as a surprise for bankers, was taken at a regular fortnightly meeting of the federal bank's central council in Frankfurt. It follows only two weeks after a DM4,000m reduction in the minimum reserves.

No explanation was given by the bank for its action, but the move is clearly intended to aid the domestic bond market, which over the past two weeks has been showing signs of indigestion with a tendency for interest rates to rise.

A thriving capital market is crucial to the West German government's economic strategy, as it is only through borrowing that this year's large public sector deficits—now estimated at more than DM60,000m—can be covered.

Some bankers had been expecting the federal bank to cut bank rate from its present level of 4.5 per cent. It seems, however, that the bank's council rejected this move.

Tokyo to seek Community easing of textile quotas

Tokyo, July 17.—Japan will ask the EEC to ease its textile import restrictions when the two sides meet for talks in Brussels next Tuesday, the Ministry of International Trade and Industry stated here today.

The talks are being held under provisions of the multilateral textile trade agreement signed in January 1973, which aims at terminating bilateral trade restrictions.

The Community had imposed stiff import quotas on a wide range of textile items while Japan had no restrictions on textile imports, the Ministry said.

As a result, Japan's textile imports from the EEC in 1974 amounted to $400m while its exports to the European Community totalled only $160m, it was claimed. —Reuter.

Threat to wool: Warning was given yesterday that the low cost sector of the Yorkshire wool industry could be facing the *coup de grâce* within the next few weeks.

This was the fear expressed by a manufacturer, Mr Neville Sykes, who spoke of the problems being created for firms in the Colne Valley and all areas by cheap imports from the Prato district of Northern Italy.

Mr Healey hears CBI fear of pay policy breakdown

By Malcolm Brown

Employers' leaders told the Chancellor of the Exchequer yesterday that if the Government did not make the reporting of pay claims and settlements compulsory and block incremental pay increases for at least the next 12 months the new incomes policy would collapse.

Emerging from 90 minutes of talks with Mr Healey and senior Treasury advisers, Mr Campbell Adamson, director-general of the Confederation of British Industry, said: "If he doesn't do these things we really think the policy will fail."

Conservative estimates at the CBI's headquarters put the breakdown period at about four months if no action is taken.

The mood after yesterday's discussions was restrained. The CBI delegation seemed convinced that Mr Healey had understood and perhaps sympathized with their arguments, but they were aware that the whole Cabinet must be carried if fundamental changes are to be made.

Speaking in Oxford last night, Sir Ralph Bateman, president of the CBI, said that the CBI thought the Government's policy was in some respects weak.

The confederation had expressed strong reservations on some important aspects of the policy, he told a dinner of the Oxford University Business Summer School. But it would, nevertheless, do its very best to support the Government in its fight against inflation.

"As the Government itself has said, the continued existence of our society in its present democratic form depends upon our success in this battle." There were those, Sir Ralph said, who would like to see the battle lost.

"There are those who are not really interested in democracy or the wellbeing of their fellows, but whose objective is the total destruction of our form of society, so that power will be theirs and that, as they say, the changes that they will make will be irreversible.



Sir Ralph Bateman: Government's policy weak in some respects.

"And while I have no doubt that the overwhelming majority of the British people reject this, let us all be aware of the disproportionate influence that relatively small numbers of determined people can have on events."

AT raises $100m in Saudi Arabia

American Telephone and Telegraph has completed a private placement of $100m in six year notes with Saudi Arabia. The notes carry an interest rate of 8.40 per cent, the competitive rate prevailing when the placement was arranged by the First Boston Corp.

Brewers' £21m rights

A one-for-four rights issue at 40p was announced yesterday by Scottish & Newcastle Breweries to raise £21m. The issue is the first for a considerable time by any national brewer.

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US car makers offer help n 'foreign dumping' inquiry

Washington, July 17.—Ameri- n motor manufacturers have fered their cooperation in a easury investigation of arges that cars manufactured Western Europe, Canada and pan are being dumped at fairly low prices.

Mr William D. Eberle, presi- nt of the Motor Vehicle nufacturers Association, said group was not joining in complaint about imports.

said manufacturers were ering their cooperation in the easury fact-finding inquiry.

Representative John Dent of nsylvania and the United to Workers Union have filed mplaints that foreign-made s are being sold in violation the 1921 Anti-Dumping Act. Mr Eberle said he believes Treasury should go ahead its preliminary investiga- . Officials had a tremen- sly complicated task in mparing United States and ign prices.

Mr David MacDonald, the Treasury's assistant secretary for tariff and trade law enforcement, said that customs officials would supply the results of their preliminary import inquiry by August 7.

The Treasury, would then decide whether to go ahead with a full investigation of imports from West Germany, Britain, Italy, France, Sweden, Canada and Japan.

If foreign-produced cars, even including models imported by United States makers from their own factories in Europe or Canada, were being sold at "less than fair value" prices the international trade commission would determine whether imports were injuring car workers or the industry itself.

Only if the Treasury and the commission both ruled that the anti-dumping Act was being violated would penalty duties be imposed on imported cars. —AP-Dow Jones.

Distillers profits fall by £13m

Profits of the Distillers Co, the biggest producer of Scotch whiskies, fell by £13m to £71m last year, mainly because of a slump in American demand as a result of the recession there.

Distillers had earlier forecast maintained profits for the financial year ended March 31 but the severity of the demand recession in the first quarter of 1975 appears to have taken the group somewhat by surprise. The resulting profits fall also surprised the stock market yesterday. Distillers' share price fell 20p to 118p.

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£79m ECGD cover

The Export Credits Guarantee Department received applications for insurance cover on new overseas projects worth £79m in the year to the end of March. Twenty-nine agreements covering £19m of investment were concluded, all in developing countries.

How the markets moved

The Times index: 127.79 −3.54
The FT index: 296.80 −11.81

Rises

BICC	4p to 119p	Lex Services	1p to 113p
Central Man	3½p to 64p	Normand Elec	2p to 40p
Downing GH	4p to 118p	Perak River	2p to 360p
First Finsbury	1p to 15p	Pork Farms	2p to 128p
Geduld Inv	5p to 400p	Sealed Motor	2p to 41p
Imp Cont Gas	7p to 360p	Utd Scientific	2p to 43p
Kulim Grp	2p to 27p	Vibroplant	3p to 83p

Falls

Allied	5p to 58p	Imp Chem Ind	5p to 251p
Boots	7p to 190p	Lesney Ord	2p to 19p
Courtaulds	4p to 111p	Shell	4p to 305p
EMI	6p to 169p	Unilever	10p to 364p
Fisons	10p to 350p	Vickers	4p to 130p
Grand Met	4p to 58p	Welkom	10p to 410p
Hawker Sidd	4p to 256p	Wellman	2½p to 261p

Equities retreated further in light trading.
Gilt-edged securities were busy after hours with prices a little harder.
Sterling fell by 55 points to $2.1800. The "effective devaluation" rate was 26.6 per cent.
Gold declined by 20 cents to $164.00 an oz.
SDR—$ was 1.21279 on Thursday while SDR—£ was 0.555714.
Commodities: Reuters' index closed at 1,114.7 (1,111.7 on Wednesday).

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THE POUND

	Bank buys	Bank sells
Australia $	1.71	1.66
Austria Sch	39.25	37.25
Belgium Fr	86.50	83.75
Canada $	2.38	2.23
Denmark Kr	12.75	12.35
Finland Mkk	8.15	7.90
France Fr	9.30	9.00
Germany DM	5.55	5.35
Greece Dr	68.00	66.00
Hongkong $	11.00	10.65
Italy Lr	1480.00	1425.00
Japan Yn	665.00	640.00
Netherlands Gld	5.70	5.50
Norway Kr	11.60	11.25
Portugal Esc	55.50	53.50
S Africa Rd	1.87	1.79
Spain Pes	126.75	121.75
Sweden Kr	9.25	8.95
Switzerland Fr	5.80	5.60
US $	2.22	2.17
Yugoslavia Dnr	37.75	35.75

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£100m plan to extend British Gas pipeline

Nearly £100m is to be spent by British Gas on construction of a 200-mile extension to its pipeline system carrying natural gas throughout the United Kingdom.

It will run via points near Wisbech and Winchester, and is designed to meet the increasing demand for gas in southern England.

From Winchester one branch of the pipeline will run westward into Dorset while a possible future branch running eastward into Sussex and Surrey is under consideration. British Gas said yesterday that it hoped to start construction next year, with commissioning late in 1977.

In another pipeline development, Shell UK Exploration and Production announced yesterday that with its Brent system partners it was now three weeks ahead of schedule in the laying of the trunk pipeline linking the North Sea oilfields with a terminal in Shetland.

Stretches of the pipeline—92 miles long and 36in in diameter, and linking the Cormorant field with Shetland—have been laid in depths over 500ft deeper than has ever been attempted before with a pipeline of this diameter.

European TUC in jobs appeal

Brussels, July 17.—The European Trade Union Confederation today called on the European Economic Community to take immediate action to check growing unemployment.

Leaders representing 37 million members, conferred with Italy's Signor Aldo Moro, president of the European Council, and Mr Francois-Xavier Ortoli, president of the EEC Commission.

UTUC president Herr Heinz-Oskar Vetter, blamed the current recession on the "worldwide strategy" of multinational corporations, monetary instability, and high prices of raw materials — especially energy.

Cowley workers to press claim

A claim for a cost of living increase for about 8,000 manual workers at British Leyland's car body plant at Cowley, Oxford, is to be pursued. Mr David Buckle, Oxford district secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, said this would be maintained despite the Government's White Paper on pay restraint.

When the 1975 pay review was accepted in February the Unions had warned Leyland they would ask for more if the cost of living rose by more than 10 per cent, he explained.

Sir Monty Finniston points way to greatly increased steel output

By Ronald Kershaw

Sir Monty Finniston, chairman of the British Steel Corporation, yesterday forecast greatly increased production, fewer employees, one-year apprenticeships and new processes of steelmaking.

He was speaking to delegates at a Metal Society conference in Sheffield to mark a decade of progress in steelmaking in the city.

Sir Monty said the industry must be amenable to change, and should carefully watch the progress of the Japanese and other foreign steelmakers.

The present recession would go on for another year before an upturn came, Sir Monty said. The only differences between this present recession and its predecessors were its magnitude and its suddenness.

He predicted that by the end of the century Britain would be producing 60 to 70 million tons against the present 25 million tons, and that the number of people required to produce it would not be as many as were employed today. He suggested that in 10 years output would increase at a rate of 5 per cent compound growth. By 1981-2 the world would be producing 1,000 million tons a year, against 650 million last year.

New sources of scrap and other raw materials for steelmaking were being investigated to increase supplies. It might not be long before companies would play a great part in the supervision of scrap processing, and even have their own scrap processing plants in their own steelworks.

Sir Monty referred to various technical steel making processes that might emerge including a continuous electric arc process, electron beam, plasma, and multi-vessel techniques carried out by chemists. People were astonished, he said, at the strides that had been made by the Japanese electric arc industry.

"You will have to condition yourselves to the fact that all the steel industry, no matter which process is used, must have improved productivity if it is to succeed internationally," Sir Monty said.

The concept that people who started in the industry should end their days in the steel industry was wrong. "I don't think we should look for a stable workforce; we should look for instability for that is what is going to happen."

Bleak BAA forecast for air traffic

By Arthur Reed
Air Correspondent

Reporting a profit after tax of £3.8m for the year 1974-75, though forecasting a lack of growth in passenger traffic until the end of the decade, Mr Nigel Foulkes, chairman of the British Airports Authority, said yesterday: "The next two to three years are going to impoverish and discomfort most of us in Britain."

He said most of the business of the authority was international, and the frailty of the British economy might be partly offset by the greater vigour of other countries—"a humiliating reflection which I find inescapable."

Profits before tax for the year under review were £8.4m, a reduction of 28.8 per cent on 1973-74. Passengers passing through the seven airports administered by the authority totalled 26.9 million compared with 27.4 million, a drop of 2.8 per cent.

US steelmen ask for import curbs

Pittsburgh, July 17.—Nineteen speciality steel-makers and the United Steel Workers of America announced today that they had filed a petition under the "escape clause" provision of the 1974 Trade Act with the United States International Trade Commission seeking relief from alleged injury by speciality steel imports

The petition requests a two-stage remedy. The first is immediate mandatory domestic quotas, based upon relative market share of imports on a product-by-product and country-by-country basis over a three-year floating base period.

Secondly it calls for internationally negotiated marketing agreements similar to those already in effect for textiles.

LTB argues case for more London tourists

At its annual general meeting yesterday, the London Tourist Board argued for a place in the new government tourist policy. The policy aims to divert tourists into the regions, particularly those with "fragile" economies.

Sir Anthony Milward, chairman of the tourist board for London—the prime destination for the overwhelming majority of overseas visitors—said there was still a need for a "strong continuing promotion" of London as a tourist centre, before it reached its supposed saturation level.

The board wants more resources to publicize both the lesser known attractions of London and to bring in more visitors at off-peak periods.

Despite the suggestion that there is congestion in London, it says, there is substantial variation in foreign visitor arrivals, from 16 per cent in the peak month, July, to 4 per cent in the lowest month, February.

An example of the scope for less known parts of London, quoted by the LTB, is the Banqueting House in Whitehall. This accommodates only 30,000 visitors a year, while more than two million people witness the Changing of the Guard.

Additional hotel accommodation, amounting to some 23,000 rooms at a cost to Government of £21.4m, or just under half the total of grand aid for the Hotel Development Incentives scheme, together with the slowing of tourist growth means that there is spare capacity.

The hotel room booking service provided by the LTB shows a steady decline during 1974 compared with the previous year, although there was an upturn during the early part of this year.

The London Tourist Board wants modifications to the draft guidelines so far issued by the Government

UK machine tool orders fall 12pc

Total new orders placed with Britain's machine tool manufacturers in the first three months of the year fell by 12 per cent in value compared with the previous quarter to the lowest level for two years.

According to *Trade and Industry* statistics, the flow of new orders from the domestic market dipped by 21 per cent in the first three months, while overseas orders were 30 per cent down.

This trend, which began in the middle of last year, again reflects the low investment demand both at home and abroad.

Machine tool sales are continuing at a high level, however. The value of sales is now 36 per cent higher than a year ago, mostly because of price increases

Iran loans for worker shares

Teheran, July 17.—Iran was setting up a financial organization to extend soft loans to workers and farmers to help them buy 49 per cent shares into any industrial unit here worth more than $1.5m (£650,000), Mr Hushang Ansari, the economy and finance minister, announced today.

This applies to Iranian-owned companies as well as to joint ventures partly owned by foreign capital.

The announcement was in line with a royal decree issued last April, stipulating that Iranian and foreign concerns operating here on joint venture bases should sell 49 per cent of their shares to their workers, farmers and other citizens within two years.

North Sea development danger to fishing areas

By Our Industrial Correspondent

Development of Britain's offshore oil and gas fields may involve the Government paying out large sums of money to compensate trawlermen for the loss of traditional fishing grounds.

The industry has registered its concern about the impact of increasing numbers of production platforms and pipelines in the North Sea, which could effectively deny them access to well-established fishing areas. They believe that they are entitled to compensation.

Already studies have been carried out on the effect of developments on the Forties field and this exercise has been extended to cover the whole of the North Sea.

But the trawlermen have already suffered from the rapid pace of exploration and development of the North Sea's hydrocarbon reserves. In its first report, the Fisheries and Offshore Oil Consultative Group said that unrecorded oil industry debris lying on the seabed was damaging fishing gear in important fishing grounds.

June unit trust sales lowest for year at £26m

Unit trust sales were the lowest for the year in June at £26.6m—a substantial fall from the May peak of £34m. Repurchases were the lightest for four months at £11m, but net sales of £15.6m, compared with £20.5m in May, were still the lowest for the year.

The downturn mirrors that experienced by the building society movement, which also had an exceptionally good April and May. It reflects a combination of factors including a less buoyant stock market, the advent of index-linked savings certificates and the absence of large transactions inspired by professional advisers.

Mr Tim Simon, chairman of the Association of Unit Trust Managers, said yesterday: "We could well be getting to the point where inflation does begin to affect the volume of savings". The indications are that July will also be a quiet month.

IBM maintains market lead

International Business Machines retained its lead over Britain's ICL in the United Kingdom computer market at the end of 1974, but with a reduced margin, according to figures published by the Department of Industry today.

On the basis of installed notional value, IBM had 37.7 per cent of the market at the end of the year, compared with 31.7 per cent for ICL. One year earlier the figures were 39.7 per cent for IBM and 32.9 per cent for ICL.

RAS

RIUNIONE ADRIATICA DI SICURTA'

Milan – Italy

The Annual General Meeting of Riunione Adriatica di Sicurtà held in Milan on June 30, approved the Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1974 submitted by the Board of Directors.

Favourable results from foreign operations, along with investment income, enabled the Company to face up to adverse trends in certain branches in Italy and substantial increases in administration costs.

The Company's premium income increased by 24.2% in 1974.

Particularly noteworthy were the significant advances achieved in expanding the life business where growth over the previous year was in excess of 25% in the whole portfolio, and 27% in the Italian portfolio alone.

In Non-Life branches mention should be made of the significant progress in the Marine, and in the Credit/Bond businesses, and the satisfactory growth in Fire insurance.

The aggregate premium income of the RAS Group which includes 9 Italian and 26 foreign Companies exceeded £421 millions, an increase of 22.8% over 1973.

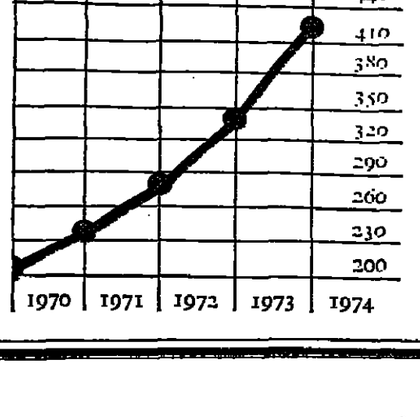
The profit for the year has enabled the Board to recommend a dividend of Lire 600 (the same as last year) on each of the 1,920,000 issued shares. This dividend will be payable as from July 7.

HIGHLIGHTS OF ACCOUNTS (£)
RAS ONLY, DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN BRANCH OFFICES

1973		1974
97,071,896	Premium Income	120,591,554
11,074,288	Investment Income	13,381,126
48,587,831	Claims, Maturities and other Benefits paid	58,532,251
60.635.975	Insurance Reserves, Non-Life Accounts	75,553,242
133,953,101	Insurance Reserves, Life Accounts	157,409,944
927,182,396	Life Sums assured	1,120,271,833
6,297,147	Share Capital	6,297,147
17,901,593	General Reserves	22,477,907
787,148	Profit for the year	855,253

Figures indicated are the sterling equivalents of the entries in the Balance Sheet expressed in Lire. Conversion has been made at the official rate of exchange at the end of 1974.

PREMIUM INCOME OF THE RAS GROUP (ITALY AND ABROAD)



SALES OF THE RAS GROUP

Premium income in 1974 (in £)

RAS and L'ASSICURATRICE ITALIANA (in Italy and abroad) . .	237,280,682
Other Italian Group Companies	28,687,765
Foreign Group Companies	155.978,974
Total premiums	421,947,421

RAS Group Life Accounts, total Sums assured . . £ 1,742,521,735

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Investment in UK film industry

From Mr D. Sir, We feel
Derek Harris', *W. Goodenough*
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mentions, there wood, Shep-
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national. Bray,
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substantially smaller than
major studios, they have each
housed a significant proportion
of successful film and TV productions in recent years. From our own point of view, we were the first to introduce the so-called "Four Walled" system.

This misnomer gives the impression that producers are offered bare buildings, whereas in fact, all the necessary equipment for production is offered but, unlike earlier practice, the producer does not have to draw upon the studio facilities if he wishes to bring in his own.

When the present owners of Bray purchased the studio in 1971, they introduced the "Four Walled" system against strong opposition from the unions and the industry generally, and would now claim that this method of operation has been justified. During the last three years, a number of buildings have been added including a new 10,000 foot stage and currently every square foot of space is being used for the production of series for TV.

Whilst we agree with Mr Harris that Pinewood is the best studio in Europe, we would also point out that Shepperton and Elstree both have productions the pipeline and we would film under it most damaging to were to cutation of the British

A great stry if another studio dom produse. financed and al of United King- markets. Thus ion is overseas our work contributed at overseas employment of Unite proportion of technicians but does not to the an investment return Kingdom United Kingdom. yield

On the question of investment, the one must say that any contribution directly or indirectly by the Government would be most welcome, and whilst we are aware that Mr John Terry h would hardly put t of £2m would United Kingdom in a postion being able to produce the si of feature film that Americ majors have been so successf with in recent years. EMI a to be thanked for contributi to our cause by produci *Murder on the Orient Expre* but how many such films w £2m produce?

The uncomfortable fact is th in today's market, the level risk is reduced by having su cient cash to spread over programme of substant feature films. Our Americ friends have done just this a have earned substantial prof as a result.

Have we, as a film produci nation, the courage to grasp nettle?

I am, Sir,
DAVID W. GOODENOUGH,
Bray Studios,
Down Place,
Windsor Road,
Berkshire Oakley,
dsor,
hire.

Index-linked savings

From Mr H. A. L. Cockerell
Sir, Dr J. Willenz points out (July 14) the difficulty he has in getting information from the Post Office about the index figure applicable to a purchase of "retirement issue" national savings certificates.

It is perhaps worthy of note that the Government proposes adopting a much more helpful attitude towards the purchasers of index-linked life assurance. The Department of Trade contemplates regulations whereby the policyholder must be informed at the outset of the number and price of the units allocated to his policy, and must be sent each year a statement of the level of the index at the end of each month of the period of review.

If the Government is not prepared to go to the same lengths as it expects others to do, it could at least display in every post office a list of index figures covering a 12-month period, and the current value of a £100 certificate after its first 12 months.

H. A. L. COCKERELL,
Gresham College,
Graduate Business Centre,
The City University,
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London, EC2.

From Mr A. C. G. Wolstenholme
Sir, The advent of the new SAYE index-linked scheme has created surprisingly little comment. After all these years a scheme seems to be available which does protect against inflation. Or does it encourage inflation?

If the scheme had been operating this past year the rate of interest would have been 25 per cent tax-free. This return is far in excess of that obtainable from most courses of investment and notably more than from a building society savings account.

Will not this scheme then eventually lead to higher mortgage interest rates? How can the Department of National Savings provide the return on investment? Will the funds attracted find their way to the Government for the use of the National Enterprise Board?

The maximum monthly contribution of £20 represents for many as much as they could hope to save. I suggest we are seeing a notable change in savings policy.

All may be well. As the prospectus states, "the amount payable shall be related to the United Kingdom General Index of Retail Prices maintained by the Department of Employment or any index replacing that index". That gives room for manoeuvre.

A. C. G. WOLSTENHOLME,
Monks Barn,
Brewser Lane,
Twyford,
Nr. Winchester, Hampshire.

NI payments

From Professor K. J. Hume
Sir, The letter Cunningham must as a shock to ma and college staff fees and royalties. The univers has been given little publicity although, in the is mat leaflet NP15, "Employer's to National Insurance contributions", paragraph 87 headed "Employees current self-employed", and gives outline of the additional liability.

Today, I visited my local DHSS office and obtained the *following information:*

An application for *deferment* had to be in by June 6 but an application for *exception* has no deadline.

Leaflet NI 27A gives information for self-employed people with small earnings and states:

"You may apply to be excepted from liability to pay Class 2 contributions if your earnings from self-employment are less than (or are expected to be less than) £675 in the tax year beginning on April 6, 1975."

An application form for exception is included in the leaflet.

K. J. HUME,
Dept of Engineering Production,
University of Technology,
Loughborough.

Direct-labour

From Mr Eric Wood
Sir, The Institute's suggestions about accounting for local authority direct-labour departments make no judgments, one way or the other, about the efficiency of such departments. Their intention is (among other things) to suggest methods of accounting which ensure that the performance of direct-labour departments can be directly compared with the performance of private contractors.

The Institute's aims are therefore the same as those expressed by Mr Brown in his letter (July 14), though our proposals are different from his.

ERIC WOOD,
Director,
The Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy,
1 Buckingham Place, SW1.

High cost to PO of paying 5p rent

From Mr F. R. Salmon
Sir, I have just received payment from the Midlands Electricity Board the sum of 5p, representing the annual nominal wayleave rent for a line of poles bringing power to my own house.

The payment is made by printed cheque form with typed particulars enclosed in a specially printed envelope bearing a stamp—value 5½p! The cheque is dated July 1, although the payment is not due till October 1; presumably in order to spread the clerical work-load, which must be enormous.

Taking into account the cost of paper, printing, postage, clerical and managerial salaries, and all overheads in the MEB and the Post Office, the making of this payment cannot possible cost less than ten times its face value!

On several occasions I have invited the board to commute these payments, but without result. If this were done on the basis of 20 years purchase the cost would be recovered in two years with an enormous saving in the long term.

Failing that, and in view of inflation, is it not high time that the level of these payments was reviewed?

Yours faithfully,
F. R. SALMON,
The Hatch Farm,
Tenbury, Worcestershire.

Business appointments

Roneo chief on Vickers board

Mr K. W. Ketteringham, managing director of Roneo Vickers Office Equipment Group, and Mr D. A. S. Plastow, group managing director of Rolls-Royce Motor Holdings, have been appointed to the board of Vickers. Mr Plastow's appointment is non-executive.

Mr K. J. Willoughby has been made a director of F. W. Woolworth.

Mr J. L. Ellis becomes an executive director of Arthur Guinness Son and Co. He will continue as joint vice-chairman of Arthur Guinness.

Mr P. L. Donovan has been made a director of Associated British Foods.

Mr J. D. Bolsover has been appointed a director of Henderson Administration and managing director of Henderson Administration (Pacific).

Mr G. N. Davies has been made a director of Taylor Woodrow Construction while retaining his managing directorship of Taylor Woodrow-Anglian.

Mr Doug Davidson, director of Honeywell's Data Processing Group in the United Kingdom, has been named vice-president of national accounts operations.

Mr A. H. Cooper is made a director of Imperial Group from January 1. Mr P. Bradbury resigns from the same date.

Professor G. Ronald Bainbridge has become Turner & Newall's energy consultant.

Mr Peter Bates, divisional managing director of Plessey Radar, takes on the additional responsibility of chairman of EAE, a Plessey company. Mr Francis Holmes continues as managing director, Mr Michael Garner, of Plessey, and Mr Laurie Buttriss, of EAE, are to be directors. Mr Maurice Haddon-Grant, secretary of The Plessey Company, has also been made secretary of EAE.

Mr Brian Adams, a director of J. Walter Thompson, London, is to join Wasey Campbell Ewald as managing director with specific responsibilities for account services.

Mr Roger Hewitt has been made managing director of PD Pollution Control.

The new president of the Royal Institute of British Architects is Mr Eric Lyons.

Mr David Jay has joined the board of St Helen's Trust as chief executive and underwriter.

Mr John Wragg has been made a director of Wincott Gallifford.

Mr V. T. Jarvis, chairman, and Mr W. J. C. Ford, managing director, of Ford & Slater Holdings, are to be appointed directors of the motors division of UAC International.

Mr D. T. Westlake has been made chairman, Mr V. J. Dixon a director and Mr D. W. J. Phillips, secretary of Barnato Brothers.

As part of a rationalization programme, the main board of Green Shield become directors of the Green Shield Group. Directors of this company will be: Mr G. R. F. Tompkins (chairman and managing), Mr R. T. Goodman, Mr R. G. G. Pursey, Mr P. V. R. Pugsley, Mr T. V. McAuliffe, Mr J. M. Phillips, Mr P. J. D. Pritchitt and Mr J. G. C. Pryce.

Mr Goodman and Mr Pugsley become joint managing directors of the Green Shield Trading Stamp Company and are joined by Mr D. L. Slobom as finance director, Mr A. F. Heap as merchandise director and Mr R. Lowes as sales director. Mr McAuliffe and Mr Phillips become joint managing directors of Argos Distributors and are joined by Mr J. P. Lewis as merchandise director and Mr R. A. Wilson as sales director. Mr Pursey remains managing director of Canopus Property Company. Mr Goodman and Mr Pugsley also become joint managing directors of Performance Awards. Mr Tompkins remains chairman of all four companies.

Mr Nigel Foulkes has been appointed a director of Stone-Platt Industries.

Mr Gerald McLeod has been appointed a main board director of Forward Trust.

Mr John Chadwick has been appointed director in charge of corporate strategy, PA Management Consultants.

Mr Michael Hoskin is now financial/commercial director and Mr Peter Ridgeway engineering director of Wansbrough Paper. Mr John Leahy becomes sales director.

Mr Robert Clayton, technical director, General Electric Company, is to be president of the Institution of Electrical Engineers on October 1.

Mr J. Hoddell has been appointed to the board of Reliant Motor Group.

Sir Eric Drake has joined the board of Toronto Dominion Bank.

Lord Latymer has resigned as chairman of the London Committee of the Ottoman Bank and Mr M. J. Babington Smith has been elected in his place. Lord Latymer remains a member of the committee. Sir John Colville has been made deputy chairman in place of Mr Babington Smith.

Mr Donald Stringer, general manager and a director of Property Growth Assurance Company, has been appointed managing director. Mr Roy Williams joins the board. Mr Peter Hutley has relinquished the function and title of managing director but remains as deputy chairman.

Mr Donald Bailey, managing director of Allardyce, and Mr Alan Lifford, group financial controller, have been appointed to the main board of Kimpher.

Mr J. T. Boon has relinquished his position as chairman of Wood Brothers Glass but remains on the board as deputy chairman. Mr T. S. Kilpatrick has joined the board and becomes chairman.

Mr B. S. Lamden has gone on the board and been appointed joint managing director of Goodman Price. Mr A. W. Barnes has been made deputy chairman.

Mr H. S. K. Greenlees and Mr R. T. Sykes will be retiring from the membership of Laing & Cruickshank on July 31, but will remain with the company as consultants.

Mr D. W. Dufour has become a director of Paterson Candy International.

Mr David Piccaver is the new chairman of Lingarden, succeeding Mr Reg Dobbs.

Mr Michael Midgley and Mr Michael Paris have been made commercial director and production director, respectively, of Deans Farm Eggs.

Mr Roger Collins has been named director of finance and administration of Thiokol Photochemicals (formerly Dynachem International).

Mr R. G. Baker and Mr E. C. Groom have been appointed members of stockbrokers Williams de Broe, Hill Chaplin.

Mr W. C. Harris has retired as chairman of the Airclaims Group and is succeeded by Mr A. C. Beckett. Mr J. L. Sage becomes deputy chairman.

Mr D. D. Wright has been appointed a director of Gardner Mountain & Capel-Cure Agencies.

Mr Robert Orr Stevenson has been made a director of Felixstowe Dock and Railway.

Mr Alan Evans has become director of manufacturing of APG Hewitt Hose.

Mr W. S. Cunningham who is retiring as chairman of Brooks Watson Group, is to be succeeded by Mr Martin Rafferty, deputy chairman.

Mr Geoffrey Cowing has joined the board of Marshall French & Lucas.

Mr V. Vohralik, of Evode, has become chairman of the council of the British Adhesive Manufacturers' Association.

Mr J. L. Sheppard has become assistant managing director of EMI Santon.

Mr Robert McRoberts has been made a director of Booth Concrete Products.

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Distillers runs into the US recession

gs went badly wrong for illers in the United States ng the first three months 975 and this appears to pro- the major part of the ex- ation for the sharp dis- ancy between the interim tast (made in December) of tained profits this year and actual £13m fall in the pre- figure.

stillers had well stocked the ed States market with kies by the end of last Sep- per in anticipation of the r regular) threat of an east t longshoremen's strike. assumption was that stocks ld be disposed of over mas, and that restocking d begin in earnest in the quarter of 1975, which is final period of Distillers rial year.

stead, the United States ket appears to have gone on Distillers as a result of recession, unemployment short time working. There been trading down into rican whiskies and into k" scotch (which Distillers supplies but which is less itable) as well as into ondary" brands, all at the nse of Distillers' standard ds. The only consolation seems to be that Distillers fob to the United States thus is not involved in cing high stocks there. nwhile, there remains little ible evidence of an upturn United States demand for ler grade scotch as yet. m, likewise, has been rela- ly disappointing, though the man market is apparently ewhat improved.

nited Kingdom demand ars to have held up well ite DCL price increases in ary, April and July and the y duty imposition at the ter. However, the true trend onfused by the fact that rs buy in anticipation of llers' price rises, then buy group's brands in antici- n of their following suit. it will probably be late ner before one can say her the United Kingdom et really has been able to b the 1975 round of price ases.

re important, probably, is controversial question of ler's's export prices— ard brand export prices to nited States market have isen since January 1974— whether weakened markets l stand rises now. If not, with volume weaker, the ok for margins is hardly given continuing inflation . grain, bottle and packag- osts, etc. Stocks inflation, is reflected in interest es up from £7m to £11m /ear.

l appears to hinge on what ens in the United States Christmas and how deeply United Kingdom recession . Down 20p yesterday to the shares still look erable on an historic p/e ½ and a yield just under 7 cent though, of course, Dis- s could be a fairly rapid very situation once United s and other foreign repla- gets under way.

1974/75 (1973/74)
talization £428m
£617m (£542m)
ax Profits £71m (£84m)
ings per share 9.5p (11.7p)
lend gross 8.19p (7.44p)

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all, the market reaction to cottish & Newcastle Brew- preliminary statement and issue was a little on the side, for if there are still sive characteristics in the ry sector, then S & N has than its fair share. In the o April 27, pre-tax profits marginally above expecta- at £22.2m, with the £1m on the previous year d by the £802,000 produc- scheme settlement and £470,000 of extra deprecia- arising from the property tation which threw up a surplus.

the volume front, there in overall gain of 2 per cent indicating further market penetration into both the free trade and also the less profitable grocery outlets. Since the year end, volume has moved ahead by something over 5 per cent, but perhaps not too much should be made of this considering the container shortage, and poor weather in the first half of last year. Significantly there has been little evidence of trading down in the beer sales mix, while there are also signs that overall margin pressure is beginning to ease except perhaps in the managed houses. There, wage costs and lower spirit and wine sales are biting hard.



Mr Peter Balfour, chairman of Scottish & Newcastle: sales of beer and lager ahead in current year.

Against net short term debt of £16½m, the £21m rights issue will drastically reduce interest charges, up £2.45m last year to £5.37m, particularly given that the new funds are unlikely to be fully used on capital expenditure in the short term.

At 48p the shares are selling at just over 10.7 times earnings and yield 8 per cent-ratios in line with the sector. Some improvement in status in the near-term appears almost certain, fuelled by thoughts that whatever may happen to disposable income the fall-off in Scotland and the North-East will be at the end of the line.
Final: 1974/75 (1973/74)
Capitalization £105m
Sales £247m (£200m)
Pre-tax Profits £22.2m (£23.2m)
Earnings per share 4.49p (4.83p)
Dividend gross 3.84p (3.53p)

GUS
Good second half

GUS managed an impressive 10 per cent growth in pre-tax profits during the final six months of the year, but a sales gain of just 15 per cent still looks a little lame against the sort of figures being churned out elsewhere in the retail sector, and the going rate of inflation in selling prices.

The group argues that its sales figures reflect lower levels of inflation overseas (which still accounts for around 20 per cent of total group turnover) and it has undeniably managed to squeeze an impressive amount in the way of profits from a percentage rise in sales that would have kept most other retailers' earnings at a standstill.

The overseas interests have evidently done particularly well, while at home there has been the boom in mail order sales, strong recovery in furniture and other durables and a good increase from the financing division.

United Kingdom retails sales, moreover, still appear to be doing very nicely into the first quarter of the current year, and, as with most retailers, cost pressures have eased this year after the savage gross margin cuts of a year ago—this evidently being a major factor behind the better trend in the second half of the year just ended.

Credit sales have picked up too, as evidenced by a £1.1m rise in the provision for unearned profits since the end of the first half. GUS at 148p for the "A" is selling on a yield of 6.2 per cent and an historic p/e of 8. This is not perhaps particularly cheap against the rest of the retail sector, but there is an argument that all the better quality stocks here have overreacted to the Government's incomes policy over the past few weeks.
Final: 1974-75 (1973-74)
Capitalization £368m
Sales £787m (£692m)
Pre-tax Profits £89m (£83m)
Earnings per share 17.5p (15.9p)
Dividend gross 9.28p (8.46p)

Tap stock
How many stags?

Last Friday it looked as though the terms of the new loan "tap" stock had been pitched sufficiently finely to suggest some temporary easiness in the market this week. On the contrary, however, the market has continued to roar ahead, with funds moving out of shorts into longs on the assumption, first, that short-term interest rates may have bottomed out and, second, that the rate of inflation should be dropping sharply next year.

But while the strength of fundamental interest in longs cannot be denied, the scale of the applications for the new "tap" can only be explained on the assumption that the stags are at work looking for a quick profit by selling in the market as soon as dealings begin to make a quick profit.

Johnson-Richards
Difficult year ahead

The sharp first half decline at H. & R. Johnson-Richards Tiles, which saw profits sag by more than a half, was arrested somewhat in the final six months with a slide of only 17 per cent to £1.68m. However, this was largely thanks to more timely price increases, lower costs and a decline in the less profitable direct exports. At the same time the working capital requirement looks to have been heavily swollen by inflation, with bank borrowings more than doubled to £5.6m at the year end—now somewhat reduced—and interest charges up nearly seven fold, having rocketed to £327,000 in the second half compared with £15,000 in the same period the previous year.

While volume held up relatively well in the United Kingdom, there were considerable problems overseas with Australia experiencing a severe drop in profitability and South Africa, sustaining large losses. The South African operations were plagued by the increased costs stemming from conversion from coal to oil, by technical problems and by stringent price controls, but the group expects to see profits from this area in the current year.

But, in general, the prospects for this year are bleak. United Kingdom output is already down to 75 per cent of last November's figure and stocks are higher than at the same time last year. Sales and margins could be badly affected both by the low level of housebuilding and the prospect of a cutback in consumer spending hitting DIY sales, particularly in the more expensive, high margin ranges.

Given that, there is not much to look for in the shares on a p/e of 4 and yielding 8 per cent at 101p, up 1p yesterday, although the good cover should protect future dividends.
Final: 1974/75 (1973/74)
Capitalization £5.44m
Sales £36m (£32.2m)
Pre-tax Profits £2.92m (£4.6m)
Earnings per share 24.8p (40.6p)
Dividend gross 8.09p (7.35p)

Engineering: are the professional institutions really up to the job?

The news that the most senior of the professional engineering institutions are considering some amalgamation begs the question whether this is too serious a matter to be left to them to decide.

Their members design the products and services essential to our external trade and to our domestic comfort. Much employment in companies and in the public services in Britain depends upon the ability of professional engineers to predict the costs, reliability and safety of new ideas.

But have their professional institutions shown that they care as well for the equality of the contributions of engineers to the community?

These professional institutions are learned societies. They also act as qualifying bodies, an important function in the older branches of engineering in times when the employers trained school leavers and enabled them to qualify for technical college studies without going to university. For many this was the way into a professional institution.

The senior institutions hold the royal charters that bestow the title "Chartered Engineer" on those who, like doctors, both reach degree standards and are house trained for several years.

But chartering seems to have diminished in its significance probably because many engineers are now so qualified and because a higher degree in technology or in management is of more value in our newer industries and in all other countries.

Ten years ago these engineering institutions recognized the idea of including studies of "The Engineer in Society" in students' courses. Many if not all university and polytechnic courses for engineering degrees also include project work and other means of beginning to develop creative talents for recognizing and trying to solve real problems.

But why do some employers' spokesmen seem unimpressed? Are today's critics of higher education at all aware of the improvements in objectives and methods since they were boys? Have the professional institutions sold the changes they have encouraged?

I am impressed at the advances in academic objectives and standards I found on coming into teaching from industry. I am appalled that the theoretical and the practical content of engineering courses has improved so much, yet now dissatisfies more of the people involved. A Royal Commission into Professional Engineering would find much to review.

For instance, they would surely be critical that health and safety is not included in all courses. It is seven years since the lesson of Aberfan, and seven years since the late Professor Merchant drew attention to the questions of responsibilities arising in some structural disasters. There is as yet no legal requirement that the use or the design of chemical plant should be controlled by qualified engineers.

Our Royal Commission might also be anxious to find that most qualifications are lifelong. Or that only in a few institutions is an individual interviewed by his professional peers and independently assessed for his personal accountability.

And considering our other national interests an inquiry might ask how much engineering institutions have taken a lead in showing their members how to design products, plant and services so as to save the use of imported materials.

Is it right that the engineers who in their decisions in industry so much influence the consumption of resources should be left unguided on the problems of how to reconcile national priorities with the particular objectives of an employer?

Junior engineers are increasingly involved in decisions affecting safety, economy, customers and industrial relations. Events often move too fast for them to refer all non-technical issues to their managers.

It is therefore logical of those who speak for industry to say that engineering degree courses should be broader. But there is also a continuing problem in undergraduate courses of covering the expanding volume and variety of technical expertise that a student may need.

Have the advocates of reducing degrees to two years considered the possible effect upon the standards of public health engineering or railway safety? Is the public happy that as industry's projects and the risks grow more complex, engineers can be less and less certain of avoiding mistakes?

Have government and industry taken enough trouble to join the professions and their academic members in facing up to the consequences and choices?

Few if any of recent tragic accidents or financial failings of engineering have been due to problems unknown to man. Most or all might have been avoided if some of the engineers involved had been more extensively educated—rather than "trained" in our peculiar British way by sitting next to Nellie who learnt sitting next to pre-Nellie and so on backwards into history.

How tragic that Parliament quite recently accepted views, given in the name of industry, disdaining postgraduate courses of any length.

Whose fault is it that postgraduate courses are thought to be easy and irrelevant, fit only for refugees from reality? Not the engineers from industry who teach on them. Nor all those engineers at the intermediate levels of industry who appreciate the frightening gap between their knowledge and today's technical and economic hazards.

Industry and academics may happily point to the good quality and number of potential managers now attending MBA courses at the business schools.

But where are tomorrow's engineering leaders learning not to repeat the thinking that led to yesterday's technical tragedies?

There are many other unanswered anxieties for the professional institutions to answer. These institutions have become more informal and more co-operative, yet their members are increasingly critical of their representation on questions of status, salary and personal responsibility. The professional bodies commission little or no research into themselves.

In discussions of their problems who knows what is fact and what is only our current complaining trend in this country? Who can explain why there is increasing complaint that universities are remote from reality at a time when they have been recruiting much staff from industry?

Who has studied why many younger engineers seem to be under-employed in industries that this year are seeking to recruit more? And who knows why senior industrialists advocate exchanges between teaching and practice yet they hardly at all take back anyone who crosses the academic interface?

How sad it is that little better than opinions are available to answer any of these questions, yet the money to finance research into them is becoming tighter and tighter.

One might be thankful that a profession contributing greatly to the country's visible and invisible exports has not been a playground for politicians. But seeing the care and attention that it receives in Whitehall one would hardly think that engineering mattered to our trade or our public services.

Whose fault is it that one of the engineering craft workers' unions is much more prominent on television? Surely it is the fault of the engineers or their professional representatives. Our Royal Commission will have a lot to do.

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A danger of false hopes over the US economy

Frank Vogl

President Ford and top officials of his Administration are now using every opportunity to declare publicly that the worst recession since World War Two is finally over. A glance at the rapidly improving ratings of the President in the opinion polls tends to suggest that most Americans seem to believe that the economy has, at last, a bright future.

The conviction that coming months will see a return to real economic growth and that Mr Ford's election chances will improve in line with the economic upswing, is bringing a mood of happy optimism to the White House these days.

Just a year ago, the White House had the air of an undertaker's waiting room, while today the atmosphere is almost as joyous as that at a wedding reception. Mr Ford has replaced Watergate secrecy, and confidence in economic recovery has replaced fears of deep recession and record inflation.

This atmosphere is enhanced by the growing number of newspaper columnists who suggest that the President's chances in the elections next year are improving by leaps and bounds. The newspapers and magazines, by and large, are doing their utmost to carry the message far and wide that the recession is over.

Against this background, the voices of the millions of unemployed, the desperate calls for financial assistance from numerous big cities, most notably New York, and the isolated warnings by just a few economists and politicians of a new upswing in inflation appear to be drowned.

There is a tendency in Mr Ford, his colleagues and much of the media to over-simplify the present economic situation, and thereby raise false hopes that could well in time damage the President's electoral chances and worsen the already tarnished image of professional economists.

Inflation has fallen sharply and is now running at an annual rate of around 7 per cent. Cutting the rate in half has been a considerable achievement and the success is encouraging some economists and members of the Ford Administration to suggest that the rate may well be down to around 4 per cent by the end of the year. But basking in the glory of this victory over inflation, as Mr Ford and Mr Simon, the Treasury Secretary, now seem to be, is premature.

Today, there are more indications of a significant rise in inflation than of a further decline. A record harvest is forecast, barring particularly bad weather, but food prices are still likely to rise because the Secretary of Agriculture is doing all he can to boost farm incomes, and appears perfectly willing to permit massive grain exports.

Oil prices are set to increase, possibly substantially. Opec appears to be readying itself for price rises and the United States still has to import fully 37 per cent of its oil. In addition, the President is pressing hard for energy policies that are bound to raise domestic prices, such as decontrol of prices on 60 per cent of United States produced oil, which is at present fixed at the artificially low level of just $5.25 per barrel.

Manufacturers have largely held back from price rises because of the recession, but an increasing number seem to be preparing for a new round of increases. General Motors and Ford have both indicated 6 per cent rises in new car prices.

Price rises may also be produced by higher interest rates, especially as most bankers now agree that lending rates have passed their lows for the year.

Further, a major danger to inflation comes from public expenditure. The Treasury is going to have to borrow vast amounts in coming months, which might force the Federal Reserve to boost the money supply. The cities are screaming for federal funds and the trade unions are demanding improved relief programmes for the millions of unemployed. These demands may well be met by the Congress later this year, and the result can only be an inflationary swelling of the federal budget deficit.

Despite all the optimistic forecasts by the politicians, there is also a growing realization that the economic upturn, which now is likely, will be extremely slow. Increases in interest rates, rising energy costs and higher food prices, are all factors that could slow the pace of the upswing.

At the moment it would appear that consumer confidence, while in better shape than a couple of months ago, is still at a low ebb and fears of unemployment are still leading many people to increase their savings, rather than their spending. It is probable that the economy is at the zero growth stage, between further decline in gnp and real growth, but it is not out of the wood yet.

The slowness of the upswing could well add to the impatience of the unions and those Democrats in Congress who are desperately worried about unemployment and the difficulties of major cities. This impatience could lead to demands for still further tax cuts and thus increased budget deficits and further inflationary dangers.

The present economic programmes make it almost certain that unemployment in the United States will remain very high for quite some time to come. President Ford seems unworried by this, and continues to concentrate on fighting inflation, believing that the votes of the 91 per cent who are employed and who see a reduction in the inflation rate, are a lot more important than the votes of the 9 per cent unemployed.

All the same, the period ahead is fraught with difficulties for the economy. Setbacks to the President's hopes could come from many corners, from Democrats in Congress and trade unions to the weather wrecking the harvest. Over-simplification of the present situation and brash declarations that the recession is over can produce severe problems that could well knock some of the wind out of the cheery and confident sails of today's White House.

Charting a course for offshore energy research

To be chief scientist at the Department of Energy, it could be argued, is enough to keep any man busy at present. And the same could be said of the Director of the Atomic Energy Research Establishment at Harwell.

The energetic Dr Walter Marshall occupies both these posts, keeping his personal staff more than busy at Harwell, at departmental headquarters in London and in the departmental car commuting between the two.

As if that were not enough, this week he flew to the United States for his annual six-week mini-sabbatical as a real scientist, researching into theoretical physics at Brookhaven Laboratory, Long Island.

Dr Marshall also happens to be chairman of the newly-formed Offshore Energy Technology Board, the body which to a large extent is responsible for seeing that the gaps in offshore research and development (reported in *The Times* on June 20, 1975) are filled. It is an unusual type of board, with an unusual role. Just before leaving for Brookhaven, Dr Marshall discussed its philosophy and initial progress.

In some ways the basic philosophy is similar to that of the Department of Industry's research requirements boards, which were set up to tighten the communication link between government research and development and the market which this R & D was supposed to serve. In their respective areas of interest these boards act as "quasi-customers", assessing proposals and judging priorities, in line with the Rothschild customer/contractor principles.

But, in a number of important ways, the OETB faces a different situation. It has to advise the Secretary of State for Energy on R & D in two contexts: that of ensuring safety and efficiency in offshore operations and that of improving the competitive position of the British offshore industry.

The industrial context itself is also different from that of the other requirements boards, where, in general, the R & D feeds in to a large number of "customers". From the OETB the research and development feeds into the offshore industry (a diverse range of contractors) and then into a small number of customers—the large energy companies.

"This is the dramatic difference", Dr Marshall said. "I don't need a quasi-customer. I get these guys directly. I get them, at senior level, to sit on the board".

The board has to try to anticipate where market forces will move, identify what R & D is needed and where it should be done, reach agreement with the customers and make sure the contracting industry knows what is happening.

In safety matters important questions will arise, for example, in connexion with future tethered buoyant platforms and inspection techniques for rigs and platforms generally. How can offshore structures effectively be monitored for corrosion, fatigue and other possible deterioration?

If self-burying anchors are to be developed for the tethered buoyant structures, what R & D will be needed to ensure their integrity? And how to avoid Britain's doing the R & D and American industry's building the anchor?

Both basic research and applied development come within the board's ambit. The Natural Environmental Research Council's Institute of Geological Sciences has been commissioned to survey the Continental Shelf: here the Department of Energy interest includes both deep geology, relevant to oil and gas resources, and shallow geology, relevant to the safety of offshore structures and seabed equipment.

Department of Energy spending on the NERC programme alone is more than £2m a year. This raises the question of how best to monitor these projects.

"If we tried to monitor everything from this department, we would need a sizable effort and then things would go wrong", said Dr Marshall. Rather than build up the headquarters staff he has given this role to the Marine Technology Support Unit at Harwell.

Among the programmes inherited by the OETB from the Ship and Marine Technology Requirements Board are environmental data studies on wind, waves and current conditions; studies of the fluid loadings on offshore structures; and studies of the effects of the marine environment on materials.

Costing more than £1.6m (some of which is being borne by industry), this work will be done by the NERC, the National Physical Laboratory, industry, the Atomic Energy Authority and the research associations.

One National Physical Laboratory project has involved the development by the Seatek consortium of an instrumented "national data buoy" which will measure both structural pressures and loads and sea and weather conditions while moored in Christchurch Bay.

Under another contract International Research & Development, Newcastle upon Tyne, is studying the technical and commercial problems of marine growth on offshore structures.

University and Science Research Council work is also relevant to the OETB's activities and Dr Marshall has invited Sir Samuel Edwards, chairman of the Science Research Council, to brief the board on the council's programmes at a future meeting.

As an example of SRC-funded research and development, the Department of Civil Engineering at Bristol University is now investigating the combined action of waves and currents on offshore structures, using test facilities which reproduce North Sea conditions.

At present the OETB is reviewing the whole strategy of offshore energy research and development, examining the present programmes and checking that they meet requirements. The board has met twice so far.

Dr Marshall is reluctant to identify priorities before this review is complete—as, in his approach to energy R & D generally, he is deliberately keeping open as many options as possible—but he offers four broad conclusions, one negative and three positive.

The negative conclusion is not to invest in offshore pipelaying R & D, mainly because there is no United Kingdom industrial outlet for this at present. It is not the board's job to change the industrial situation, but it is clearly of interest to Mr Peter Gibson, director general of the Offshore Supplies Office, Glasgow.

The strongest positive conclusion is that tethered buoyant platforms will be very important in the next generation of will be the whole question of inspection techniques and standards for rigs and platforms; and the need to ensure that diving operations are safe and effective.

Kenneth Owen

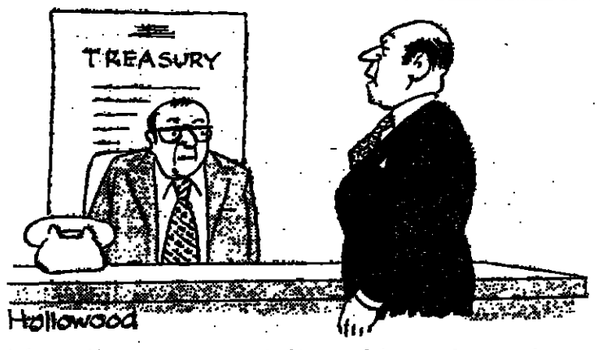
Business Diary: 'Duty-frees' up • Bank ahoy!

news for air travellers yesterday's annual meet- f the British Airports rity: the prices of duty- drinks at its airports is up by 12 to 15 per cent. announcement can be ed within the next few and the reason which will en will be that this keeps h increases in the manu- ers' prices.

l Foulkes, the chairman BAA, who raises half the ity's annual income from concessions (including ee) and half from land- arges, said: "We're try- take the money pain- out of your pockets in- of reflecting it in the of your ticket."

kes sees a positive health in being able to buy a of cheap Scotch or gift wait nervously for your to be called. "If a logist studied the prob- f air travelling in the tic, echo chambers of s, he would find that the ce of the duty-free shop aluable form of therapy ss circumstances."

well and good, but does the therapeutic value sh in proportion to the ing price which the er is being asked to pay or her precious bottle?



"I want you to prepare for a deluge of conscience money from stock market speculators who exceed an income increase of £6 per week."

Boat race

What is 34 feet long, sister to Edward Heath's first Morning Cloud, and not the least mysterious boat since the Marie Celeste?

She's the Morning Rose, the Bank of England's newly-acquired yacht, and tomorrow she has her first outing when she competes with craft from clearing and merchant banks in the Midland's offshore trophy race around the Isle of Wight.

A Morning Rose by any other name would apparently not smell so sweet. There appear to be no plans to rename her The Old Lady of Threadneedle Street or some such, presumably because of the headlines it would make every time she took a knock.

She therefore quits her berth at Port Hamble Marina with the name she had when the Bank acquired her second-hand last month. The £10,000 purchase price was raised both by members of the Bank's sailing club and the Bank itself, although nobody is saying who stumped up what.

Nor has it been revealed who will be crewing her on her maiden voyage, although it would appear that the skipper is not the Governor, Gordon Richardson, who is not a sailing club member.

The Morning Rose was bought so that the Bank and its staff could emulate other banks in having a boat of their own, whether to compete in inter-bank races or to be available to club members and their families for weekend cruises.

There will be another Bank entry in tomorrow's race. This is a borrowed boat manned by Bank staff. The crew of the Morning Rose is six, and there are about 100 enthusiasts in the sailing club, founded last year.

The name of the Bank's second contender?—Nemesis.

Jobs for the girls

George Reynolds, head of Unilever's central management recruitment, has taken more than 30 calls in the past week from job-seeking girls or from fathers with marriageable girls on their hands.

This follows Business Diary's reporting of a remark by Kenneth Webb, chairman of Unilever subsidiary Birds Eye Foods, that one reason why there were so few women in business management was that so few came forward.

What Unilever, or Birds Eye (who also received some calls) make of this coming forward remains to be seen. However, Reynolds points out that although only between 10 and 15 per cent of the applications normally received come from girls, a full quarter of subsequent job offers are accepted by women.

More women might apply, he says, if they did not feel—rightly or wrongly—that either the group or the food industry was against women managers. On the other hand, his experience in recruiting as well as that of the past few days, suggested that it needed only a little encouragement before the applications came rolling in.

He and Bridget Parkes, his placement manager, act as a kind of brokerage, finding as many as possible of the 90 or so high-flier management trainees demanded by group subsidiaries each year. This is between a third and a quarter of the group's annual graduate requirement.

It is then up to individual senior managers to decide whether they will take the individual man or woman.

Bridget Parkes said there were a few parts of Unilever where she would not try to place a woman, because it was wrong to send somebody to a first job where they might meet unhelpfulness. On the other hand, she says she thinks that attitudes towards women as managers are improving and are already better than in many big groups, particularly in the oil business.

Reynolds says that the group has yet to hire more women than it can actually absorb. However, Unilever, like other big employers, rarely recruits as many top-liners as it would like. The answer would, therefore, seem to be that the sooner more girls apply and more managers accept them, the better for all concerned.

Following our story yesterday about the appointment of Baroness Young to the board of United Kingdom Provident, Langham Life Assurance have pointed out that to the best of their knowledge Dorothy Genn, wife of Langham's managing director, was the first woman board member of an insurance company. Mrs Genn had worked with her husband in insurance for 15 years before being made director in 1973. She is now in charge of marketing for Langham Life which had a life fund of £5.5m at December 31, 1974.

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Trading losses and write offs reported by Barker & Dobson

By Andrew Wilson

A trading loss of £2.4m and a goodwill write-down of an additional £1.8m sum up yesterday's preliminary statement from Barker and Dobson, the confectionery, manufacturing and grocery distribution group, for the year to last March. The results confirm the warning issued in mid-June by the acting chairman, Professor Geoffrey Clarkson, who succeeded Mr William McPhail in May, of substantial losses in the Oakeshotts retailing business.

As already known, the Oakeshotts management accounts contained a series of inaccuracies about trading. On investigation by accountants Arthur Andersen & Co it was discovered that there was a fall in margins caused by a high level of promotional sales totalling around £500,000; stock losses of around £200,000; another £500,000 or so of uncontrolled local buying; and inadequate pricing. The result was that Oakeshotts replaced a £535,000 profit with a £1.23m loss.

In the Barker and Dobson confectionery business, pressure on margins due to falling volume and rising costs turned a profit of £797,000 into a £561,000 deficit. But it is believed that factory closures which involved extraordinary costs of £498,000 mean that it is now breaking even.

It has been decided to write-off completely the Oakeshotts goodwill of £1.2m and some £600,000 of Barker and Dobson. Interest charges, however, fell during the year from £393,000 to £265,000 due in part to asset disposals totalling £3¼m gross. Included among these sales was Budgetts in cash and carry which brought in £2.75m.

Professor Clarkson emphasized yesterday that group borrowings were not excessive but there would be further asset disposals in the coming months. The accountants' investigations are continuing, and personnel responsible for losses have been replaced.

Ahead of the audited accounts, it would appear that net assets value could be around 10 a share. Not surprizingly, there is no dividend, as was the case at the interim stage. In 1973/74 there was a total payment of 1.22p. Bad news was expected, and the shares managed to recover ½p to 3½p after it came out.

Peachey earns only 1p a share for the full year

Gloomy full-time results have duly appeared from Peachey Property after the sharp interim break in pre-tax profits from £1m to £346,000. The final figure for the year to June 24 is a slump from £2.3m to only £636,000, with the "attributable" cut from £1.37m to £236,000.

Per-share earnings in turn slid from 6.2p to 1p, while the dividend is slashed from 3.54p to 0.38p (the interim was omitted).

Net rents were up from £2.23m to £2.39m, but other interest and dividend fell from £272,000 to £181,000 and surpluses on realization of properties from £1.4m to £745,000. Associates also dwindled from £153,000 to £79,000. Group pre-tax profits before net losses on the share portfolio were £1.2m, against £2.16m; portfolio loss amounted to £603,000 (against nil).

S W Wood hopes wane after buoyant start

SW Wood group, the nonferrous metal merchant, faded away in the second half of its year to last March. Chairman Mr A. W. Bolsom blames this on uncertainty throughout industry. He says this malaise affected the volume of trade since the turn of the year. Prices obtainable in the face of rising costs fell and margins in the manufacturing sectors narrowed.

Turnover held fairly steady at £19.22m but pre-tax profit slipped from £1.23m to £986,000, while earnings a share were 7.8p compared with 10p. Turnover was £12.2m in the first six months and £7m in the second six.

At midway pre-tax profit leapt from £416,000 to £733,000 and a record seemed possible. But a rider was added that the fall in demand would bite into second-half results.

The total payment, however, rises from 4.4p to 4.9p.

Dwek misses final

Elimination of losses from the subsidiary supplying components to the furniture industry has failed to produce the desired result for Dwek Group. In the first half of last year Dwek made £67,000 before tax, but for 1974 as a whole there was a loss of £5,300 against a £184,000 profit. The principal business of the group is that of importers of PVC sheeting and expanded vinyls. No final dividend is declared so the interim of 0.5p becomes the year's total. Last year a total of 1.05p was paid.

Builders & General

Henry Ansbacher, which already owns Builders & General Mortgage, has 29.7 per cent of the share capital acquired a further 100,000 shares (6.7 per cent) at 68p per share. Ansbacher will offer to buy the remaining 955,500 shares at 70p per share, conditional only on acceptance by holders of sufficient shares to make, with the shares already held by Ansbachers, more than 50 per cent of the capital.

A holder of 300,000 shares in Builders & General (19.97 per cent) has irrevocably and unconditionally undertaken to accept the share offer. The directors of Builders & General are considering the proposals.

Debenhams forecasts profits rebound

Much stronger after replanning, the Debenhams stores group expects record profits in 1975-76 after their fall last year. Sir Anthony Burney, chairman, told the annual meeting yesterday that sales were up 20 per cent in the first 22 weeks of the present year. Sales in the department stores division since last March had grown by 28 per cent, implying a volume increase even with inflation. This has been achieved in spite of price reductions made possible by better buying procedures.

Chase profit up 55pc

Hard on the world's largest bank, the Bank of America, which yesterday reported a half year rise of 22½ per cent in net income, Chase Manhattan, the second biggest United States bank, has returned a near 55 per cent rise in net income; $116m after share securities for the half year.

F. Pratt's good start

F. Pratt Engineering, the maker of lathe chucks, rallied strongly in the second half of last year. The rally has continued. In the six months to April 30 the group hoisted both profits and turnover by more than 50 per cent. Pretax profits rose from £401,000 to £630,000 while turnover went up by 57 per cent to £7.4m. A similar sales pattern for the second half is forecast. The interim dividend rises from 1.65p to 2p.

CMT spurts on news of bid talks

Going strong this year (it reported a 30 per cent jump in pre-tax profits for the first half), Central Manufacturing & Trading Group announces discussions that may lead to a merger. Its wide spread of activities cover asbestos, rubber, plastics and services, steel stockholding, and tubes and fabrication. Steel stockholding and asbsetos are the major contributors to profits.

The shares, which rose sharply on Wednesday on rumours of a bid, put on a further 4p to 62½p yesterday. Total market capitalization of CMT is about £11.7m.

Airfix stake in Plasty for £1.4m

The projected deal for Airfix Industries to take a major stake in Plasty-Spielzeug & Co, of West Germany, was confirmed yesterday. Airfix has agreed to buy an effective interest of 60 per cent for £1.41m in cash. The agreement gives Airfix the right to buy the rest of Plasty for a minimum of £738,000, dependent on profits. Pre-tax profits of Plasty in 1973-74 were £900,000

Tace tumbles again

Tace, the former Transport and Chemical Engineering, took a further toss in the opening half to March 31, and the interim payment is cut. The year before pre-tax profits fell from £939,000 to £696,000. On turnover up slightly from £4.1m to £4.54m, pre-tax profit slumped from £303,000 to £165,000, and the dividend from 1.31p to 0.61p. After debting extraordinary items of £12,000 the attributable profit fell from £170,000 to £71,000.

Stait Carding a bit more cheerful

The chairman of Stait Carding Group, the motor trade and property group, Mr M. J. Carding says in his statement with the accounts for the year to last March: "Shareholders will be aware of the retirement of Bill Nichol from the chair. . . . In addition, the enforced restrictions on our property dealing have influenced John Stait to seek other business opportunities."

He looks for an upturn in overall results this year. Motor vehicles are doing well, property investment income should yield more, but little will come from property dealing.

Notes to the acounts show that £15,000 was paid to a director for loss of office, and that on June 27 Mr A. J. Stait and family beneficially owned 34 per cent of the issued capital. Last year Stait Carding (to be renamed Carding Group) lost £379,000 before tax with good profits from the motor division swallowed by losses on property.

Guthrie-Ajax terms

Elaborating on its May offer for American group Ajax Magnethermic, based in Ohio, Guthrie Corporation says the total value is $30.14m, about £14m. It is conditional on a minimum of 80 per cent acceptances. Some $13.3m of the price will be deferred through instalment payments to two Ajax executives (owning 58 per cent of the equity) and the balance by a $15m loan from a syndicate led by Lloyds Bank International as well as from Guthrie funds largely arranged by parallel loans.

G & C sell control

Three directors of Gloucester & Cheltenham Greyhounds have sold their holdings, amounting to some 59.5 per cent of the equity to Suregain Securities. Suregain has also purchased for cash 135,000 shares (14.63 per cent) at 50p, and will make an unconditional offer for the rest at the same price. At 50p, the total market value of G & C is some £450,000.

It is understood that the 14.63 per cent parcel of shares bought included the 13 per cent previously held by Slater Walker.

WHEWAY WATSON HOLDINGS
Board views future with confidence, chairman reports in his annual statement. Subject to company not being abnormally affected by present uncertain industrial climate, current year should show continued growth in production, sales and profits.

ANDERSONS RUBBER
For year to January 31 pre-tax profit £119,000 (£72,000); final dividend 1.03p making 1.78p against adjusted 1.62p.

FULLER, SMITH & TURNER
Pre-tax profit for year to March 31 £443,000 (£479,000); profit attributable £334,000 (£194,000); total dividend 13.16p (12p).

PENTOS-CONCRETE
Pentos has acquired further 200,000 Concrete ordinary shares; total holding now 2.16m or about 23.2 per cent.

Crest loan agitation

A group of loan stockholders in Crest International are pressing for repayment of its £218,000 10 per cent convertible stock following non-payment of interest. Recently Mr Gerry Weiss, liquidator for Nation Life, the trustees, put forward some controversial suggestions to exchange the Crest stock for that of Dares Estates, a publicly quoted survivor of the failed Stern empire. But in a circular to other loan stockholders the group say that this plan has not materialized. Dares Estates recently turned in heavy losses.

The group, which holds some £10,000 of the stock points out that under the Trust Deeds repayment at £105 can be forced, if the support of 20 per cent of the loan stockholders can be obtained.

The circular reveals that Mr Weiss has given notice of Nation Life's resignation as trustees and urges stockholders to request that he remains until the situation is clarified. At present, the circular concludes, loan stockholders have no way of assessing the position of Crest since the last balance sheet was published in 1973.

Stock markets

Share prices retreat to below the 300 mark

If any confirmation was needed that a switch to the gilt-edged market is contributing to the present lethargy in equities it came with the news that the Government's new £750m long-dated stock is nearly fully subscribed, an almost unheard of situation.

The situation is aggravated by the cloudy economic outlook, the continuing stream of rights issues and the volatil estate of the market which will swing significantly on very little business. This was the case yesterday on the London market when light selling was enough to push the *FT* index below the 300 mark to 296.8, a net loss on the day of 11.8.

Having shown a minus sign from the start the index firmed to hold its ground for an hour in the early afternoon with the news of the miners' executive's decision to back the Government's inflation package. But the slide then began again and between 2 pm and the close amost another four points were lost.

A rumour that Manbre & Garton (101p) is in difficulty and might be baled out by Tate & Lyle (200p) was enough to clip 8p and 14p from the respective shares. The companies discount the talk but analysts admit Commonwealth sugar prices, now well above EEC prices, might be giving Manbre problems. Tate go ex rights today.

Gilts were dominated by the Bank of England's announcement that the latest issue of long-dated stock, Treasury 13¼ per cent, 1997, would not now be traded as a "tap" stock.

When the announcement was made in the afternoon business quietened down briefly as the market assessed the situation and prices then hardened a little in considerable after-hours activity.

"Shorts" eased in the morning, but then recovered later on. Dealers described turnover as low and most prices were unchanged on the day. "Mediums" also were fairly steady, but "longs" showed small rises of ⅛ point generally, after being ¼ point higher at one stage.

Companies involved in rights issues did not have a good day. The £21m operation from Scottish & Newcastle Breweries, forecast here yesterday, left the shares 4p off to 48p even though profits were largely maintained. A lower forecast accompanied by the intention to make a rights took Royal Worcester down no less than 27p to 110p, well above the average decline.

Scottish & Newcastle apart, other drinks shares suffered after disappointing profits took 20p from Distillers, which closed at 118p. Teacher, down heavily at one point in sympathy, recovered to end 2p down at 213p.

"Blue chip" shares had a varied day. Glaxo (350p) managed to hold on to its overnight price against the trend, but others, like Fisons, where United States influences clipped 10p to 350p, and Unilever, down by the same amount to 364p, were a much easier market. EMI lost 6p to 169p and Beechams the same figure to 280p.

Stores, after a firm went easier and Gus "A" 4p down to 150p (resul Wednesday were better tha pected), Boots 7p to 190p

Confirmation that Ce Manufacturing was in bid lifted the shares a furthe to 64p. Some market men suggesting that terms will CM shares at closer to share.

Debenhams 2p to 56p. Thi a rally for the last named its annual meeting.

In electricals Thorn (160p) gave up 6p of We day's 10p gain, while Racal a firm stock the day before into profit-taking and ende off, at 296p.

Both golds and oils easier with the market. BP 10p to 533p and Shell 4 305p. Engineers also ground with GKN (215p), Investments (244p) and ker-Siddeley (256p) losin to 5p.

Johnson Richards Tile covered from a dip in p to end a penny firmer to while Barker & Dobson, an reporting, shaded firmer to Alnatt London Prop (111p) and Peachey Pr ties (24p) were left changed by their respe results.

Equity turnover on July 16 £47.7m (13.772 bargains). cording to Exchange Teleg active stocks yesterday inc ICI, Metal Box new, B American Tobacco, Dist Consolidated Gold, Beechams, Thorn "A", Metropolitan, Courtaulds, Gus "A", EMI, Tate & and Central Manufacturing

Latest dividends

All dividends in new pence or appropriate currencies

Company (and par values)	Ord div	Year ago	Pay date	Year's total	Prev year
Allnatt Lon (25p) Fin	2.34	2.11	12/9	3.18	2.99
Andersons' Rbr (20p) Fin	0.67	0.61†	—	1.17	1.11†
Bank of Montreal Q'ly	24c	24c	2/9	—	96c
Barker & Dobson (10p) Fin	Nil	0.85	—	Nil	0.85
Best & May (10p) Fin	1.61	1.52	—	2.27	2.13
Brit Building (25p) Fin	1.43	1.43	—	2.33	2.33
Clifton Inv (10p)	Nil	0.7	—	Nil	0.7
Comm'wth Mining Fin	8c	8c	17/10	16c	16c
Distillers (50p) Fin	3.37	3.06	10/10	5.38	5.05
Dwek Group (10p) Fin	Nil	0.37	—	0.33	0.72
Gt Universal (25p) Fin	3.38	3.16	19/12	6.13	5.78
Johnson-Richards (50p) Fin	3.12	2.81	4/9	5.32	5.02
Lon & Lomond Inv (25p) Int	0.7	0.7	5/9	—	1.7
Oil & Assoc Inv (25p) Fin	1.06	0.92	22/8	1.64	1.53
Peachey Prop (25p) Fin	0.25	1.38	30/9	0.25	2.48
Peterborough Mtrs (20p) Fin	1.1	1.0	10/9	1.83	1.76
F. Pratt Eng (25p) Int	1.3	1.1	—	—	3.67
Scot & Newcastle (20p) Fin	1.68	1.6	—	2.52	2.4
Smith Wallis (25p) Fin	1.56	1.54	17/9	2.56	2.42
Standard Tst (25p) Int	1.5§	1.17	5/9	—	3.93
Tace (10p) Int	0.4	0.87	29/8	—	1.91
F. H. Tomkins (5p) Fin	0.47	0.49	1/10	0.72	0.67
S. W. Wood Gp (20p) Fin	1.68	1.6	22/8	3.19	3.01
Wyndham Eng (15p)	1.47	1.47	—	1.47	1.47

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax in pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross, multiply the net dividend by 1.54. † Adjusted for scrip. § Increase to reduce disparity. c Cents a share.

Issues & Loans

Rush of money for Derby loan

The Derby Borough Council's issue of £7m 13½ per cent redeemable stock, 1982, has been a great success. Lists were closed within a minute yesterday, by which time the offer had been "heavily" over-subscribed.

No allotment has been made to applicants under £11,000. Those for £11,000 and above have been allotted about 1.8 per cent of requirements. Dealings will start this morning.

Underwriters take 58pc of PHIT

The issue of 9 per cent convertible unsecured loan stock 1990-95 offered as rights to shareholders in Property Holding & Investment Trust has failed. The underwriters have been called on to take up 58.3 per cent of the £2.4m stock offered.

Australian Resources

Australian Resources Development Bank intends to float $30m of five-year notes bearing 9.25 per cent through a syndicate led by First Boston (Europe). The offering is the second by Resources Bank this year. In February, a syndicate also led by First Boston, made a $30m eight-year issue for the bank at par bearing 9.5 per cent.

Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

$ STRAIGHTS	Bid	Offer
AIDC 10¼ 1981	103¼	104¼
Airlease 8⅞ 1988	85¼	86¼
Ashland 8 1987	93	94
BICC 7¾ 1987	68	71
Bristol 8¼ 1979	88	90
British Steel Corp 8¾ 1989	84	87
Burlington 7¾ 1987	91¼	92¼
Carrier 8 1987	92	93¼
Chevron 7 1980	97	98¼
Conoco 7 1980	97¼	99
Conoco 8 1986	97	97¼
Cons Food 7¼ 1991	87¼	88
Coventry 8¾ 1981	90	92
Coventry 8¼ 1980	89	91
Curacao Tokyo 8¾ 1988	93¾	94¾
Curacao Tokyo 10¼ 1981	102¼	103¼
Cutler Hammer 8 1987	92¼	93¼
Dana 8 1987	91¼	92¼
Denmark Kingdom 7¼ 1990	83¾	84¾
Denmark Mtge Bank 7¼ 1991	80¾	81¾
Dundee 9¼ 1983	92	94
Escom 9¼ 1989	90	91¼
Escom Floating Rate 1983	98	99
First Chicago 7 1980	95¾	96¾
First Pennsylvania 7¾ 1984	80	81
GATX 8¼ 1987	89¼	90¼
Guardian Royal 8 1987	76	79
Hambros 7¼ 1987	76	79
ICI 7¼ 1992	77¼	79¼
International Util 8¼ 1982	95¾	96¾
Legal & Gen Ass 7¼ 1988	73	76
Manchester 8¼ 1981	88	90
Mexico 8¼ 1991	83	85
Michelin 7¼ 1988	85¼	86¼
Mitsubishi 9 1989	94	96
Motorola 8 1987	95¼	96¼
Nat & Grindlays 7¾ 1987	77	80
National Coal Board 8¾ 1988	85	88
Nippon Fudosan 10¼ 1980	103	104
NA Rockwell 8¼ 1987	92	93
Occidental 7¾ 1984	84	85
Pacific Lighting 8 1988	91	92
Pacific Lighting 9¾ 1981	101¼	102¼
Pennwalt 8 1987	91¼	92¼
Ralston Purina 7¼ 1987	93	94
Scanraff 7¾ 1990	87¼	88¼
Scanraff 8¾ 1988	97	98
Shell 7¾ 1987	93¼	94¼
Singer 11 1977	97¼	98¼
Skandinaviska 10¼ 1981	104	105
Slough 8 1988	70	72
South Africa 8 1987	85	86
Standard Oil 8¼ 1980	102	103¾
Standard Oil 8¾ 1988	99¼	100¼
Standard Oil 8¾ 1988	100¼	101¼
Sybron 8 1987	93	95
Tenneco 7¾ 1987	88¼	89¼
Textron 7¾ 1987	85¼	86¼
Transocean Gulf 7¼ 1987	93¾	94¾
Transocean Gulf 7 1980	97	98¼
Union Oil 7¾ 1987	93¼	93¾
Venezuela 8¼ 1987	94	96
Volvo 8 1987	88	89
Wm Glyns 8¼ 1987	81	84

DM BONDS	Bid	Offer
APEL (DM) 10 1981	105¼	106¼
Charter (DM) 6¼ 1968/83	79	80
Courtalds (DM) 6¾ 1969/84	81	82
Denmark (DM) 9¼ 1989	100¾	101¾
Escom (DM) 7 1973/88	75	76
Goodyear (DM) 6¾ 1972/87	86	87
ICI (DM) 8 1971/86	91¾	92¾
Mitsubishi Heavy (DM) 9¼ 1980	103¾	104¾
Nat West (DM) 8 1988	91	92
New Zealand (DM) 9¾ 1983	104	105
Suedafrica (DM) 8¼ 1970/85	91¼	92¼
Sun Int Fin (DM) 7¼ 1988	90¾	91¾

$ CONVERTIBLES	Bid	Offer
AMF 5 1987	62	64
American Express 4¼ 1987	89	91
Beatrice Foods 4¼ 1992	95	97
Beatrice Foods 6¼ 1991	104	106
Beatrice Foods 4¾ 1993	99	101
Borden 5 1992	93	95
Borden 6¾ 1991	100	102
Broadway Hale 4¼ 1987	74	76
Carnation 4 1987	91	93
Chevron 5 1992	102¼	104¼
Cummins 6¼ 1986	83	84
Dart 4¾ 1987	89	91
Eastman Kodak 4½ 1988	113	115
Economic Labs 4¾ 1987	84	86
Eaton 5 1987	76	78
Ford 5 1988	74	76
Ford 6 1986	85	87
Gillette 4¾ 1987	78	80
Gould 5 1987	85	87
General Electric 4¼ 1987	84	86
Halliburton 4¼ 1987	154	156
Harris 5 1987	66	68
Honeywell 6 1986	78	80
ITT 4¼ 1987	69	71
J Ray McDermott 4¾ 1987	156	158
JP Morgan 4¼ 1987	124½	126½
Nabisco 5¼ 1988	94	96
Owens Illinois 4½ 1987	89½	91½
JC Penney 4½ 1987	83	85
Revlon 4¼ 1987	99	101
Rank Org 4¼ 1993	40	42
Sperry Rand 4¼ 1988	97	99
Squibb 4¼ 1987	85¼	87¼
Texaco 4¾ 1988	80	82
Union Carbide 4¾ 1982	107¼	109¼
Warner Lambert 4¼ 1987	94	96
Xerox Corp 5 1988	77	79

DM = Deutschmark issue. Source: Kidder, Peabody Securities, London.

Aust exchanges plan brokerage increases

The Australian Assoc Stock Exchanges propos increase brokerage rates September 1, Mr J. C. Joh chairman, said in Sydney. posed rates for equities A$5 plus 2.5 per cent for first A$5,000 of considerati per cent for the next A$1(1.5 per cent for the A$35,000 and 1 per cent for considerations above A$5(Other changes cover rates company loan securities (convertible) and dep Reuter.

Recent Issues

Akroyd and Smithers 25p
All Irish Banks 10% Cnv (£100)
Barnet 13½% 1980 (£100b)
Do 14% 1984-85 (£100b)
Cambridge Wtr 9% Rd Pf (£b)
Clive Discount (20)
E. Surrey Wtr 9% Rd Pf (£b)
Folkestone Wtr 9% Pf (£)
Gestetner 10% Cnv (£100)
Lawrence (Walter) 25p Ord (55)
Mitchell Cotts 13% Cnv (£100) 13¼
Nth Surrey Wtr 9% Pf (£)
Sunderland Wtr 9% Rd Pf (£b)
Waterford Glass 10% Cnv (100)
Westminster 13% 1981 (£97½b)

RIGHTS ISSUES	Latest date of renun	
Anderson Strath(110‡)	Aug 25	
Bowater (115‡)	Sept 1	16½p
Brit Steam (50‡)	Sept 9	
CompAir 45‡		
Feedex(10‡)		9p
Kwahu(20‡)	Aug 8	
Legal and Gen (103‡)	Aug 15	13p
Metal Box(210‡)	Aug 29	14p
Peglers Hat (105‡)	Aug 29	2pr
Premier Cons(8‡)	July 11	10½p
Redland(67‡)	Aug 19	5p
Siebe Gorman (80‡)	Sept 12	
Smiths Ind (95‡)	Sept 5	1½p
Unicorn (50‡)	Aug 15	½p
Wheatsheaf(110‡)		23p

Issue price in parentheses. * Ex div. † Issued by tender. ‡ Nil paid. a £45 paid. e £65 paid. f £50 paid. g £60 paid. h £2 … l £40 paid.

Wall Street

New York, July 17.—On the New York Stock Exchange shares were mixed near midsession, recouping some earlier losses. Analysts said that the limited, early decline, which followed yesterday's late setback, apparently encouraged investors and help spark a partial recovery.

At noon today, the Dow Jones Industrial Average was up by 1.72 points at 873.83. Profit-taking was regarded as the chief depressant weighing on the market at the outset.

Yesterday, the Dow Jones industrial average sank 9.70 points to 872.11. By the close, declining issues exceeded gains about 970 to 530.

	July 16	July 15
Allied Chem.	33½	38
Allied Stores	40⅝	40¼
Allied Supermkt.	2⅝	2⅝
Allis Chalmers	11¾	12¼
Alcoa	47⅛	46⅝
Amax Inc	53⅝	53⅞
Amerada Hess	22⅝	22½
Am. Airlines	9¼	9½
Am. Brands	42	42½
Am. Broadcast	22⅝	22⅞
Am. Can.	30½	30¼
Am. Cyan.	27⅝	28
Am. El. Power	20	20¼
Am. Home	38	38½
Am. Motors	6⅞	7⅛
Am. Nat. Gas	34⅞	34¼
Am. Standard	16⅞	16⅞
Am. Tel.	50⅝	50⅞
Amf. Inc.	21	21
Anaconda	18	18⅛
Armco Steel	28½	29⅝
Asarco	18⅝	18⅞
Ashland Oil	24⅝	24⅝
Atl. Richfield	108	109⅝
Avco	7¼	7½
Avon Prod.	48	49⅝
Babcock & Wcox	24½	25⅛
Bankers Tst NY	39⅝	39⅞
Bank of Am.	44½h	44½h
Bank of N.Y.	33⅝	33⅝e
Beat Fds.	22⅝	22⅞
Beet. Dick	38⅝	37
Bell & Howell	21⅝	21⅝
Bendix	43	44
Beth. Steel	36½	36⅝
Boeing	29⅝	30½
Boise Cascade	28⅝	27⅝
Borden	24	24½
Borg Warner	18⅝	19⅞
Bristol Myers	67	67¼
BP	11¾	12
Budd	10¼	10½
Burl. Ind.	26¼	25⅝
Burlington Nthn	38½	38⅝
Burroughs	105½	107½
Campbell Soup	33	33½
Canadian Pac.	14¾	15
Caterpillar	70	69⅝e
Celanese	38	37⅞
Central Soya	15⅞	15¼
Charter N.Y.	27	27½
Chase Manhat.	38⅞	38½
Chem. Bk. N.Y.	43¼	42¼
Chesapeake Ohio	37⅝	37⅝
Chrysler	13⅝	14
Citicorp	36⅛	35⅞
Cities Serv.	49⅝	49⅝
Clark Equip	31¼	31⅝
Coca Cola	88⅝	89¼
Colgate	31⅝	32¼
C.B.S.	50¼	50⅝
Columbia Gas	28⅝	27⅝
Comb Eng	53⅝	54⅞
Comw. Edison	27½	27¼
Cns. Edison	13⅝	13⅝
Cons Foods	16½	16¾
Cons Power	18⅝	18⅝
Cont. Can.	24½	23⅝
Cont. Oil	73⅞	74½
Control Data	19⅝	21
Corning Glass	53⅝	55
C.P.C. Intnl.	49⅝	48⅝
Crane	48	49¼
Crocker Int	25⅝	25⅞
Crown Zeller	37⅞	36⅝
Dart Ind.	25⅝	25⅝
Deere	41⅝	41⅝
Del Monte	25	27¾
Delta Air	38¼	39⅛
Detroit Edison	13	12⅞
Disney	52⅝	53⅞
Dow Chem.	89⅞	92
Dresser Ind.	65⅝	64
Duke Power	16¼	16½
Du Pont	122⅞	124½
Eastern Air	5¾	6
East. Kodak	102½	104
Eaton Corp.	27⅝	27⅞
El Paso G.	13⅝	13½
Equitable Life	19¼	19⅝
Esmark	36	37⅝
Evans P. D.	7	7
Exxon Corp	89⅞	91⅝
Firestone	20¼	20⅝
Fst. Chicago	27¼	27
Fst. Nt. Boston	26⅝	27½
Fst. Penn Corp	19⅝	20
Ford	41⅛	42
G.A.F. Corp.	12⅞	13½
Gamble Skogmo	24⅝	24
Gen. Dynam.	54⅝	56⅝
Gen. Electric	50½	50⅝
Gen Foods	26⅛	26⅝

	July 16	July 15
Gen. Instr.	13⅞	13⅞
Gen. Mills	56⅝	55⅝
Gen. Motors	52⅝	53⅝
Gen Pub Util N.Y.	16⅞	16⅞
Gen. Tel. El.	25½	25⅞
Gen. Tire	17⅞	17⅞
Genesco	5⅞	5⅞
Georgia Pac	47¼	47⅞
Getty Oil	198½	193¾
Gillette	30¼	31⅛
Goodrich	19½	19⅝
Goodyear	19⅝	19⅞
Gould Inc.	27½	28
Grace	26¾	28⅞
Grant W.T.	4	4¼
Gt. At. & Pac.	10⅞	11
Greyhound	14⅞	15
Grumman Cp.	18⅞	18⅞
Gulf Oil	23¼	23⅞
Gulf Wn. Ind.	42½	41
Heinz. H. J.	48⅝	47½
Hercules	30⅝	31⅝
Honeywell	35¼	35⅞
IC Inds.	15⅞	15⅞
Ingersoll	76¼	76¼
Inland Steel	39½	40
I.B.M.	204⅝	206⅝
Int. Harv.	27⅝	28
Int. Nickel	27⅞	28
Int. Paper	51	51⅞
Int. Tel. Tel.	24⅝	25
Jewel Co	23¼	23
Jim Walter	42¼	42⅝
Johns Manv.	25⅝	26⅝
Johnson & John	92⅝	94
Kaiser Alum.	33	32⅝
Kennecott	39½	39⅞
Kerr McGee	89⅝	91⅝
Kimb. Clk.	30⅝	30⅝
Kraftco Cp.	39	38⅝
Kresge S.S.	33⅝	34
Kroger	23	23⅝
Ligg. Myer	31	31⅝
L.T.V.	15	15⅝
Litton	8⅝	8⅞
Lockheed	12⅝	13⅛
Lucky Stores	14⅝	14½
Magnavox	8⅝	8⅝
Manuf Hanover	38⅝	38
Mapco	49½	49⅞
Marathon Oil	52⅝	52
Marcor Inc.	26⅞	27
Marine Mid.	19⅝	19⅞
Martin Mar.	18⅞	18⅞
McDonnell	14⅞	15
Mead	16⅝	16⅝
Merck	79½	80
Minn. Mng.	61⅝	60⅝
Mobil Oil	48⅝	48⅝
Monsanto	73⅝	73⅝
Morgan. J. P.	66	66⅝
Motorola	51⅝	53⅞
NCR Corp	32⅞	33⅝
NL Ind	16⅞	16⅝
Nat. Bisc.	40⅝	41⅞
Nat. Distill.	17½	17½
Nat. Steel	37¼	37⅝
Norfolk West	66⅞	66⅝
NW Bancor	43⅝	45⅝
Norton Simon	20½	21¼
Occ. Pet.	22	22⅝
Ogden	19⅞	20⅝
Olin Corp.	28⅝	28⅞
Otis Elev.	31½	31¾
Owens Ill.	45⅝	45⅝
Pac. Gas. El.	21½	21⅞
Pan. Am.	4	3⅞
Penn. Cent.	1⅞	1⅞
Penney J C	53½	52⅝
Pennzoil	22⅞	22⅞
Pepsico	65⅝	66⅝
Pet Corp	24⅞	25
Pfizer	30⅝	30⅝
Phelps Dod.	38⅝	38⅝
Philip Mor.	53½	54
Phill. Pet.	59⅝	59⅝
Polaroid	38⅝	39⅝
P.P.G. Ind.	31⅝	30⅝
Proc. Gamble	96	96
Pub.Ser.El & Gas	16⅝	16½
Pullman	61⅝	61⅝
Rapid American	5⅝	5⅝
Raytheon	56⅝	56⅝
RCA Corp	20⅝	21
Repub. Steel	31½	32⅝
Reynolds Ind.	57⅞	57⅝
Reynolds Metal	33½	34
Rockwell Int	24½	24⅝
Royal Dutch	37⅞	37⅞
Safeways	52	51½
St. Regis	25	26⅝
Santa Fe Ind	28	28½
SCM	13⅝	13½

	July 16
Schlumbgr.	86⅝
Scott. Paper	15⅝
Seaboard Coast	24⅞
Seagram	32⅝
Sears Roe.	68⅝
Shell Oil	54⅝
Shell Trans.	26½
Signal Co	18¼
Singer	15⅝
Sony	12¼
Sth Cal Edison	20⅝
Southern Pac.	28⅝
Southern Rly.	54½
Sperry Rand	46⅝
Squibb	37
Std. Brands	67½
Std. Oil Cal.	32½
Std. Oil Ind.	52
Std. Oil Ohio	87½
Sterling Drug	21½
Stevens J.P.	18¼
Stude Worth	41½
Sunbeam Cp.	21¼
Sundstrand	23⅝
Sun Oil	36⅝
Teledyne	22¼
Tenneco	26½
Texaco	27¼
Texas East Trans	39½
Texas Inst	113⅞
Texas Utilities	21⅝
Textron	26⅝
T.W.A.	8⅝
Travelers Cp.	26⅝
T.R.W. Inc.	25
U.A.L. Inc.	26
Unilever Ltd.	34⅞
Unilever N.V.	42
Unionamerica	3⅞
Union Bancorp	10⅝
Union Carb.	62
Un. Oil Cal.	48⅝
Un. Pacific Corp.	71
Uniroyal	8⅝
United Brands	6⅝
Utd Merch & Man	13⅝
U.S. Industries	6⅝
U.S. Steel	60⅝
Utd Technol	37
Wachovia	23⅝
Warner Comm	20⅝
Warner Lambert	36
Wells Fargo	19⅝
West'n Bancorp	25⅝
Westghs El.	19¾
Weyerhaeuser	40¼
Whirlpool	27⅝
White Motor	10⅝
Woolworth	17
Xerox Cp.	62⅝
Zenith	27⅝

Canadian Prices

Abitibi	11¼
Alcan	25⅝
Alg. Steel	26⅝
Asbestos	20⅝
Bell Tel.	44⅝
Can. Sup. Oil	41⅝
Can. Inv. Fd.	4.97
Cominco	28
Cons. Bat.	27⅝
Falconbridge	36⅝
Gulf Oil	32
Hawker Can.	7.00
Hud. Bay Mn	20⅝
Hud. Bay Oil	33½
I.A.C. Ltd.	19½
Imasco	31
Imp. Oil	28⅝
Int. Pipe	13
Mass.-Fergn.	19⅝
Power Cp.	9
Price Bros.	16⅝
Royal Trust	23½
Seagram	33⅞
Steel Co.	30⅝
Tex. Can.	28⅝
Trans Mnt. Oil	10⅝
Walker H.	34⅝
W.C.T.	32⅝

* Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market Closed. n New Issue. p Stock Spli t Traded. y Unquoted.

Cocoa in 2c limit gains

New York, July 16.—COCOA futures closed strong with gains extending to the 2.00 cent limit on new buying and short covering by commission houses on constructive grinding results from Holland. The advance was also made on trade talk. The 30 per cent drop in United Kingdom grindings for the second quarter was probably the result of the pronounced weakness in sterling which discouraged cocoabean imports. July, 59.55c; Sept, 54.05c; Dec, 51.65c; March, 51.10c; May, 51.10c; July, 51.15c; Sept, 51.55c; Dec, 51.85c. Spots, Ghana 70c nominal. Bahia 61c nominal.

COFFEE. Futures in 'C' contract finished another dull session at 0.10 to 0.65 cent higher on the moderate turnover of 183 lots. July, 53.50-70c; Sept, 55.00c; Nov, 55.70-61c; Dec, 55.95c; March, 56.65-70c; May, 57.15-25c; July, 57.45c bid.

COTTON. Futures again traded lightly with continued support coming from higher Chicago grain and bean markets. Oct, 48.10-18c; Dec, 48.55-58c; March, 49.24c; May, 49.80-90c; July, 50.35c bid; Oct, 51.00-10c; Dec, 51.05-12c.

SUGAR.—Futures in No 11 contract closed strong to firm on 5,636 lots.—Sept, 16.30-60c; Oct, 16.10-30c; Jan, 15.71c nominal; March, 15.50-80c; May, 15.68c nominal; July, 15.65/70c; Sept, 15.60-65c; Oct, 15.54c bid. Spot, 17.00c, up 1.00c.

SILVER.—Futures traded in a narrow range of less than 4.00 cents to close barely steady at 2.00 to 3.50 cents lower.— July, 465.40c; Aug, 467.00c; Sept, 470.50c; Dec, 482.30c; Jan, 486.00c; March, 493.40c; May, 500.60c; July, 507.70c; Sept, 514.80c. Handy and Harman, $466 (previous $466.50). Handy and Harman of Canada, Can $4.813 (previous Can $4.806).

GOLD futures continued to decline in moderate trading. On the Comex settlement prices finished from 30 cents to 70 cents lower, while IMM futures retreated from 90 cents to $1.20. NY COMEX. — July, $164.90; Aug, $165.30; Sept, $166.70; Oct, $168.10; Dec, $170.90; Feb, $173.80; April, $176.60; June, $179.40; Aug, $182.30; Oct, $185.10. CHICAGO IMM.—Sept, $167.70-166.60; Dec, $170.80-171.00; March, $175.10 asked; June, $179.50 asked; Sept, $184.50 bid.

COPPER futures closed steady, 10 points up on 1,805 lots. July, 56.70c; Aug, 56.80c; Sept, 57.40c; Dec, 59.00c; Jan, 59.60c; March, 60.70c; May, 61.70c; July, 62.60c.

WOOL futures. GREASE WOOL. Spot 140.0c nominal. Oct, 141.5-4.5c; Dec, 144.0-5.5c; March, 145.0-8.0c; May, 144.0-50.5c; July, 144.0c bid; Oct, 144.0c bid; Dec, 144.0c bid. CROSSBRED. Spot 76.0c nominal. Oct, 77.5-8.20c; Dec, 80.0-20c; March, 81.0c bid; May, 80.0c bid; July, 80.0c bid; Oct, 80.0c bid; Dec, 80.0c bid.

CHICAGO SOYABEANS. Bean products ended with gains of $1-5 per ton in Meal and 0.87 to 0.20 cents a lb in Oil. SOYABEANS. July, 577-80c; Aug, 566-68c; Sept, 565-66c; Nov, 567-68c; Jan, 576-78c; March, 585-87c; May, 592-93c; July, 599c; Aug, 600c. SOYABEAN MEAL. July, $135.60-5.80; Aug, $132.00-2.30; Sept, $134.00; Oct, $136.50-7.00; Dec, $141.00-0.50; Jan, $142.50-3.00; March, $146.50-7.00. SOYABEAN MEAL (New). March, $142.00-4.00; May, $147.00-150.00; July, $152.00-3.00; Aug, $152.00-3.00. SOYABEAN OIL. July, 26.75-80c; Aug, 25.20-30c; Sept, 24.30-50c; Oct, 23.30-20c; Dec, 22.65c; Jan, 22.15-20c; March, 22.00-10c; May, 21.80-75c; July, 21.30c; Aug, 21.10c.

CHICAGO GRAINS. WHEAT closed strong 11 to 18 cents higher. July, 370-371c; Sept, 378-375c; Dec, 388½c; March, 399c; May, 39… MAIZE closed strong, 10 to 6 cents higher. July, 303-305c bid; Sept, 2… 280¼c; Dec, 268¾-26…c; March, 278c; May, 281c; July, 285c. O… closed firm, 4 to 2½ cents hi… July, 158½c; Sept, 151c; Dec, 15… March, 156½c; May, 157c nominal.

Foreign exchange.—Sterling, spot, $2.1885 ($2.1780); three months, $2.1710 ($2.1620); Canadian dollar, 97.09c (97.14c).

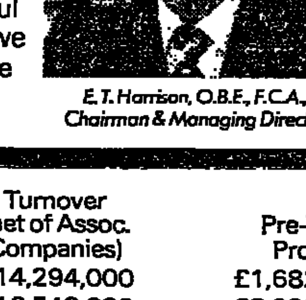
The Dow Jones spot commodity index was up 4.81 to 295.91. The futures index was up 4.60 to 276.69.

The Dow Jones averages.—Industrials, 872.11 (881.81); transportation, 172.61 (173.88); utilities, 8… (84.74); 65 stocks, 265.48 (268.…). New York Stock Exchange in… 51.59 (51.32); industrials, 5… (57.09); transportation, 34.33 (34.…); utilities, 53.65 (53.66); finan… 54.51 (54.27).

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	Turnover (net of Assoc. Companies)	Pre-Tax Profit	Earnings Per Share (After Tax)
1970	£14,294,000	£1,682,000	4.17p
1971	£16,542,000	£2,229,000	5.76p
1972	£20,256,000	£3,165,000	8.20p
1973	£24,548,000	£4,273,000	10.68p
1974	£34,624,000	£6,247,000	12.15p
1975	£50,220,000	£9,559,000	19.49p

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MARKET REPORTS

Commodities

COPPER.—Wire bars were very steady: cathodes quiet.—Afternoon.—Cash wire bars, £558.50-59.00 a metric ton; three months, £577-78.00. Sales, 3,475 tons. Cash cathodes, £556.50-57; three months, £565-65.50. Sales, 225 tons. Morning.—Cash wire bars, £552.50-53.00; three months, £571.50-72.00. Settlement, £553. Sales, 12,425 tons (mainly carries). Cash cathodes, £539.50-40.00; three months, £558.50. Settlement, £540. Sales, 375 tons (mainly carries).

SILVER was steady.—Bullion market (fixing levels).—Spot, 212.10p a troy ounce (United States cents equivalent, 472.8c); three months, 217.50p (477.1c); six months, 221.10p (481.7c); one-year, 237.60p (502c). London Metal Exchange.—Afternoon.—Cash, 212.8-13.0p; three months, 218.5-18.5p; seven months, 225.8-[illegible]. Sales, 44 lots of 10,000 troy ounces each. Morning.—Cash, 211.9-12.1p; three months, 217.3-17.5p; seven months, 224.8-25.3p. Settlement, 212.1p. Sales, 77 lots.

TIN.—Standard metal (cash) rose by £7.50 and three months by £31.00. High-grade, cash and three months rose by similar amounts.—Afternoon.—Standard cash, £3,119-22 a metric ton; three months, £3,131-32. Sales, 950 tons. High grade, Cash, £3,119-22; three months, £3,131-32. Sales, nil tons. Morning:—Standard cash, £3,108-3,110; three months, £3,115-3,118. Settlement, £3,110. Sales, 785 tons (mainly carries). High grade, cash, £3,108-10; three months, £3,115-18. Settlement, £3,110. Sales, nil tons. Singapore tin ex-works, $M951.375 a picul.

LEAD was very steady.—Afternoon.—Cash, £164.50-65.00 a metric ton; three months, £171.50-72.00. Sales, 675 tons (mainly carries). Morning.—Cash, £161.50-62.00; three months, £169-69.50. Settlement, £162. Sales, 1,375 tons.

ZINC was steady.—Afternoon.—Cash, £320-20.50 a metric ton; three months, £321.50-22. Sales, 2,500 tons (mainly carries). Morning.—Cash, £320.20.50; three months, £320.50-21.50. Settlement, £320.50. Sales, 1,100 tons. Producers' price, £360 a metric ton. All afternoon metal prices are unofficial.

PLATINUM rose by 10p to £71.60 ($156) a troy ounce.

RUBBER.—slightly steadier.— Aug, 36.25-38.25p per kilo; Sept, 36.70-38.20p; Oct-Dec, 38.20-38.50p; Jan-March, 38.20-38.50p; April-June, 38.60-38.75p; July-Sept, 38.95-39.10p; Oct-Dec, 39.60-39.75p; Jan-March, 40.25-40.50p; April-June, 40.55-40.90p; Sales: 62 lots at five tonnes each and 151 lots at 15 tonnes each, including seven options.

RUBBER PHYSICALS were quiet, but slightly steadier.—Spot: 34.50-37.00p per kilo; Cifs: Aug, 30.75-31.25p; Sept, 31.25-31.75p.

MEAT (Smithfield).—BEEF: Scotch killed sides, 29.0-33.0p per lb; Eire hindquarters, 38.0-40.0p; Eire forequarters, 16.0-18.5p.

VEAL: English fats, 38.0-42.0p; *English fats, 43.5p; English bobbies, 10.0-12.0p; Scotch bobbies, 8.0-12.0p; Dutch hinds and ends, 52.0-55.0p; *Dutch hinds and ends, 56.0p.

LAMB: English small, 28.0-32.0p; English medium, 27.0-30.0p; English heavy, 26.0-28.0p; Scotch medium, 27.0-29.0p; Scotch heavy, 26.0-28.0p. Imported frozen:—NZ D's, 29.5-30.0p; NZ 2's, 29.5-30.0p; NZ 8's, 29.0-29.0p; NZ YLs, 27.0-28.0p.

EWES 12.0-15.0p.

PORK: English, under 100 lbs, 26.0-32.0p; English, 100-120 lbs, 26.0-31.0p; English, 120-160 lbs, 25.5-30.0p; English, 160-180 lbs, 25.0-27.5p; English, 180 lbs and over, 24.0-26.5p.

*Special quotation.

COFFEE.—Robusta terminal rose sharply during afternoon dealings on aggressive buying interest touched off by trade reports from Brazil of frost in Parana and meteorological forecasts of more cold weather.

Profit-taking and local speculative activity caused erratic price movements at a special call held around mid-session but later the market continued its advance and closed at the day's "highs"—£20.6 to £37 up on balance. Sales totalled 5,296 lots. Arabicas also moved ahead on the frost news and closed 205 to 260 points up in sales of 60 lots.

ROBUSTAS.—July, £594.0-95.0 per metric ton; Sept, £530.0-30.5; Nov, £515.5-16.0; Jan, £514.0-15.0; March, £514.5-15.0; May, £514.0-15.0; July, £514.5-16.0. Sales: 2,296 lots, including two options.

ARABICAS.—Aug, $65.10-65.80 per 50 kilos; Oct, $65.10-65.30; Dec, $66.50-66.40; Feb, $66.40-66.50; April, $66.50-67.50; June, $66.50-68.50; Aug, $67.00-69.00. Sales, 66 lots.

SUGAR. The London daily price was £15 up at £185; other "whites" price also advanced £15 to £200. Futures were sharply up, August rising £21.75 and October £19.25. Aug, £188-88.50 a long ton; Oct, £183.50-83.87; Dec, £182-83; March, £181-81.50; May, £178-80.00; Aug, £179.50-81.00; Oct, £180-81.50. Sales, 1,753 lots. ISM prices: 15.86c; 17-day average, 14.00c (US cents per lb).

COCOA went sharply higher, gains ranging from £27 for spot July's £16.50. July, £600-6.00 a metric ton; Sept, £590-91; New Dec, £567.50-68.00; March, £564-65; May, £561-64; July, £561-65; Sept, £562.50-64.50. Sales, 4,820 lots including five options. ICO prices: daily 52.26c; 15-day average 48.24c; 22-day average 46.80c (US cents per lb).

SOYABEAN MEAL was steady.—Aug, £79.50-9.70 per metric ton; Oct, £80.30-80.50; Dec, £80.30-80.50; Feb, £81.50-81.70; April, £83.60-83.00; June, £83.50-83.90; Aug, £84.80-86.70. Sales: 57 lots.

GRAIN (The Baltic).—Sellers raised prices for optional maize, but buyers were reluctant to follow the advance and business was slow to develop. A small tonnage traded for July transshipment to the east coast United Kingdom. Other imported grains were neglected.

WHEAT.—US Dark Northern Spring Number Two 14 per cent Aug, £65.55 seller direct shipment Tilbury. EEC milling, July, £58.00; Aug, £61.50; Sept, £62.00 sellers east coast.

MAIZE.—No. 3 Yellow American-French, July, £58.00; Aug, £60.00; Sept, £63.50 sellers trans-shipment east coast. Sth Afr White Dent, Aug-Sept, £60.50. Glasgow nominal. Sth Afr Yellow Flint, Aug-Sept, £69.00. Glasgow nominal.

BARLEY.—EEC feed, July, £51.00; Aug and Sept, £59.00; Oct, £60.00 sellers east coast. All a long ton, cif UK unless stated.

MARK LANE.—The market appeared unaffected by reported United States grain sales to the Soviet Union and prices showed little change in restricted trade. Limited business reported included Spot deliveries of feed barley to Norfolk-Suffolk at £57.50 and Sept-Dec to Liverpool at £60.50, while current deliveries of denaturable wheat traded in south east England at £57 per long ton. The following are average sellers' quotations in sterling per long ton for delivery, London area: Wheat Haggers, Aug, £60; Sept-Dec, £65. Denaturable, July, £57 nominal. Barley, unquoted.

London Grain Futures Market (Gafta).—EEC origin. BARLEY irregular.—Sept, £56.95; Nov, £59.25; Jan, £61.30; March, £63.30; May, £64.75.—WHEAT, irregular.—Sept, £60.35; Nov, £63.65; Jan, £64.65; March, £66.40; May, £68.00. All a long ton.

Home-Grown Cereal Authority's location ex-farm spot prices: Soft milling WHEAT.—Cambridge, £55.85. Feeding BARLEY.—Cambridge, £53.75; Wales, £54.10.

Bank Base Rates

Barclays Bank	9½%
C. Hoare & Co.	*9½%
Lloyds Bank	9½%
Midland Bank	9½%
Nat Westminster	9½%
Shenley Trust	11½%
20th Century Bank	11½%
Williams & Glyn's	9½%

* 7-day deposits on sums of £10,000 and under, 6½%, up to £25,000, 6¾%, over £25,000 7¼%.

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1974/75 High	Low	Company	Last Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div (p)	Yld %	P/E
55	35	Armitage & Rhodes	40	—	3.0	7.5	4.5
126	90	Henry Sykes	122	+1	4.9	4.1	8.1
61	29	Twinlock Ord	32	—	0.8	2.7	7.4
64	45	Twinlock 12% ULS	65	+1	12.0	18.5	—

Foreign Exchange

The dollar closed stronger in Europe yesterday amid continuing evidence that the United States economic recovery is under way, dealers said. Latest statistics show that the United States gross national product fell just 0.3 per cent in the second quarter following an 11.4 per cent decline in the first, while the GNP deflator fell 5.1 per cent from 8.4 per cent in the same period, they noted.

This, and other statistics, which point to a recovery, combined with firm United States interest rates and confirmation about United States grain sales to the USSR, strongly underpinned the dollar.

Dealers said widespread conviction that the dollar is set to go higher sparked off general buying demand from throughout Europe and New York.

Sterling, in common with other European currencies, lost ground against the dollar, but less so than most others. It dropped 55 points, to $2.1800, but its "floating devaluation" rate improved from 26.9 to 26.6 per cent.

Gold fell 20 cents an ounce, to $164.00.

Spot Position of Sterling

	Market rates (day's range) July 17	Market rates (close) July 17
New York	$2.1770-1850	$2.1795-1805
Montreal	$2.2335-2445	$2.2420-2430
Amsterdam	5.53½-58f	5.57-58f
Brussels	80.30-90f	80.55-75f
Copenhagen	12.43-51k	12.49½-50½k
Frankfurt	5.38-43m	5.41½-42½m
Lisbon	55.25-56.00e	55.75-95e
Madrid	124.80-125.30p	124.85-125.05p
Milan	1416-21lr	1418½-20½lr
Oslo	11.37-42k	11.38½-39½k
Paris	9.12-21f	9.20½-21½f
Stockholm	9.00-07k	9.06-07k
Tokyo	643-52y	645-47y
Vienna	37.90-38.40sch	38.20-43sch
Zurich	5.67-73f	5.71½-72½f

Effective depreciation since Dec 21, 1971, down 8.3 to 26.6 per cent.

Forward Levels

	1 month	3 months
New York	.65-.55c prem	1.80-1.70c prem
Montreal	.60-.50c prem	1.60-1.50c prem
Amsterdam	3½-2½c prem	8½-7½c prem
Brussels	20c prem-par	55-35c prem
Copenhagen	1½-1¼ore prem	8½-5½ore prem
Frankfurt	3-2pf prem	8½-7½pf prem
Lisbon	30c prem-40c disc	50c prem-90c disc
Milan	3-6lr disc	1-13lr disc
Oslo	3½-2½ore prem	11-8ore prem
Paris	3½-5½c disc	7½-9½c disc
Stockholm	2½-1½ore prem	5½-3½ore prem
Vienna	25gro prem-par	50-20gro prem
Zurich	2½-1½c prem	8½-7½c prem

Canadian dollar rate (against US dollar), $0.9712-15.

Eurodollar deposits (%) calls, 5½-6, seven days, 5½-6½; one month, 5½-6½; three months, 6½-7; six months, 7½-8½.

Gold

Gold fixed: am, $164.50 (an ounce); pm, $164.10.

Krugerrand (per coin): $174-175 (£79½-80½) (domestic), $169-171 (£77½-78½) (international).

Sovereigns: (old), $50½-51½ (£23-23½) (new), $50½-51½ (£23-23½) (international).

Discount market

As application money poured in for the Government's new long-dated "tap" stock, Treasury 13½ per cent 1997, the Bank of England had to give help on an unprecedented scale to relieve the consequent shortage of funds.

Some houses claimed that they kept their nominal bids fruitlessly at 9½ per cent all day. But a late trickle developed at rates between 7½ and 9½ per cent.

Money Market Rates

Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 10%
(Last changed 2/5/75)
Clearing Banks Base Rate 9½%
Discount Mkt Loans %
Overnight: Open 10 Close 9
Week Fixed: 9¾-10

Treasury Bills (Dis%)			
Buying		Selling	
2 months	9¾	2 months	9¾
3 months	9¾	3 months	9¾

Prime Bank Bills (Dis%)		Trades (Dis%)	
2 months	9½-9¾	3 months	9¾
3 months	9½-9¾	4 months	10¼
4 months	9¾-9⅞	6 months	10½
6 months	9¾-9⅞		

Local Authority Bonds			
1 month	9½-9¼	7 months	10-9¾
2 months	9½-9¼	8 months	10-9¾
3 months	9½-9¼	9 months	10¼-10⅛
4 months	10-9¾	10 months	10¼-10⅛
5 months	10-9¾	11 months	10½-10¼
6 months	10-9¾	12 months	11-10½

Secondary Mkt. ECD Rates (%)			
1 month	9⅝-9½	6 months	9⅞-9¾
3 months	9¾-9⅝	12 months	10¼-10⅛

Local Authority Market (%)			
2 days	9½	3 months	9½
7 days	9½	6 months	10
1 month	9½	1 year	11⅛-11⅜

Interbank Market (%)			
Overnight: Open 9½		Close 9¼	
1 week	9½	6 months	10-9⅞
1 month	9½-9½	9 months	10¼-10⅛
3 months	9¾-9⅝	12 months	10½-10⅜

First Class Finance Houses (Mkt Rate%)			
3 months	10¼	6 months	10½

Finance House Base Rate 10½%

Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

Authorised Unit Trusts

1974/75 High	Low	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
		Abacus Arbuthnot Ltd.			
		Barrett Hse, Fountain St, Man 2 061-236 9775			
32.6	20.8	Giants	28.2	30.0	4.00
33.8	21.7	Do Accum	30.3	32.4	4.00
29.8	18.2	Growth	25.2	27.0	4.50
29.8	19.0	Do Accum	27.5	29.2	4.50
33.3	20.7	Income	25.6	27.8	5.20
35.3	21.4	Do Accum	29.4	31.8	5.20
23.6	15.6	East & Int Acc	19.3	20.3	2.70
		Abbey Unit Trust Managers.			
		72-80 Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296 5941			
31.0	16.6	Abbey Capital	18.6	19.7	4.72
35.1	19.2	Abbey General	29.4	31.2	4.51
24.2	11.0	Do Income	21.7	23.0	6.23
35.9	13.4	Do Invest	24.4	25.9	3.04
		Allen Trust Managers Ltd.			
		14 Finsbury Circus, London, EC2. 01-588 6371			
60.3	33.1	Allen Trst*	51.5	53.8	3.56
45.2	24.3	Do Income*	41.9	45.1	6.34
		Allied Hambro Group.			
		Hambro Hse, Hutton, Essex. 01-588 2851			
52.4	30.1	Allied Capital	47.4	50.7	5.80
50.8	31.4	Do 1st	45.6	48.8	5.47
42.5	29.8	Brit Ind 2nd	44.3	47.4	6.26
35.8	16.2	Growth & Inc	24.4	26.1	6.84
35.8	14.5	Elec & Ind Dev	20.9	22.4	6.32
[illegible]	24.3	Met Min & Cmdty	34.3	36.7	5.70
46.8	28.1	High Income	40.2	43.0	8.68
[illegible]	16.4	Equity Income	33.6	35.3	7.81
[illegible]	14.1	International	21.1	22.8	2.13
[illegible]	25.0	High Yield Fnd	35.3	37.7	10.61
[illegible]	43.9	Hambro Fnd	69.8	74.6	5.97
[illegible]	22.7	Do Income	33.2	35.6	8.04
81.5	44.3	Do Recovery	70.1	75.0	6.71
19.1	9.9	Do Smaller	14.3	15.3	8.27
[illegible]	12.3	Do Accum	18.8	20.0	5.06
[illegible]	13.5	2nd Smaller	18.8	20.1	5.30
44.6	30.4	Secs of America	43.3	46.3	2.92
126.2	89.5	Exempt Fnd	115.3	123.1	6.57
		Barclays Unicorn Ltd.			
		252/6 Romford Road, London, E7. 01-534 5521			
30.6	23.0	Unicorn Amer	29.8	32.0	2.23
68.4	35.7	Aust Income	45.9	49.8	2.69
79.8	42.2	Do Accum	55.0	59.4	2.65
65.6	27.6	Unicorn Capital	48.2	52.1	4.59
64.0	30.2	Exempt*	55.5	57.8	7.29
20.9	11.1	Extra Income	17.5	18.6	9.60
50.8	22.4	Financial	44.7	48.3	4.27
49.3	26.4	Unicorn '500'	41.4	44.2	7.08
24.1	12.0	General	21.0	22.7	6.53
[illegible]	14.5	Growth Accum	25.4	27.5	4.95
55.8	30.8	Income	46.8	51.8	7.88
[illegible]	[illegible]	Recovery	27.5	30.8	6.98
85.3	44.2	Trustee	73.6	79.3	5.90
44.6	32.4	Worldwide	44.7	47.8	2.88
140.0	96.7	B'ist Inv Fnd	123.1	126.9	6.12
143.0	97.2	Do Accum	125.7	129.6	6.12
		Brandts Ltd.			
		36 Fenchurch St, London, EC3. 01-626 6599			
113.0	86.0	Brandts Cap (4)	108.0	115.0	2.00
123.0	91.0	Do Accum (4)	117.0	124.8	1.90
110.5	75.0	Brandts Inc (4)	97.0	104.0	8.45
		Bridge Talisman Fund Manager Ltd.			
		5-8 Mincing Lane, EC3. 01-623 4951			
208.0	76.0	B.T. Income (2)	163.0	174.0	8.52
28.8	16.0	Do Cap Inc (2)	26.8	28.7	2.45
28.8	16.0	Do Cap Acc (2)	25.3	27.2	2.45
88.0	51.0	Do Exempt (2)	77.0	82.0	6.53
20.6	9.3	Do Int Inc (3)	12.9	13.7	4.79
20.6	9.3	Do Int Acc	12.9	13.8	4.79
		The British Life.			
		Reliance Hse, Mt Ephraim, Tun Wells. 0892 22271			
41.4	22.1	British Life	36.2	38.7	5.63
32.0	17.7	Balanced (2)	27.8	29.4	5.47
31.9	18.1	Cap Accum (2)	29.4	31.1	4.36
34.9	19.9	Dividend (2)	25.1	27.2	8.97
		Brown Shipley Unit Fund Managers.			
		Founder's Court, Lothbury, EC2. 01-600 8520			
158.0	105.1	Brn Ship Inc (1)	143.2	148.2	6.30
179.8	116.9	Do Accum (1)	162.8	167.8	6.30
		Canada Life Assurance			
		2-6 High St, Potters Bar, Herts. P Bar 51122			
26.0	15.9	Canlife Gen	24.6	25.9	4.77
31.2	17.1	Do Accum	27.8	29.2	4.77
25.2	17.7	Income Dist	23.1	24.3	8.92
29.8	19.7	Do Accum	25.7	27.0	8.92
		Carliol Unit Fund Managers Ltd.			
		Milburn Hse, Newcastle-upon-Tyne. 0632 21165			
61.7	34.8	Carliol (8)	56.9	58.4	3.35
[illegible]	35.4	Do Accum	61.4	63.9	3.35
		Charities Official Investment.			
		77 London Wall, London, EC2. 01-588 1815			
116.6	59.3	Inc* (24)	97.4	..	7.46
180.5	79.6	Accum* (24)	141.9	..	5.11
		Charterhouse Japhet Unit Management Ltd.			
		Paternoster Row, London, EC4. 01-248 3999			
20.6	12.2	Int (3)	20.2	21.6	2.30
22.3	13.6	Accum (3)	22.0	23.6	2.30
31.9	20.2	Inc (3)	26.0	27.8	8.92
27.9	18.4	Euro Fin (3)	24.8	26.4	2.43
27.8	13.0	Fund Inv (3)	27.6	29.4	3.68
		Crescent Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		4 Melville Crescent, Edinburgh. 031-226 4931			
28.6	8.9	Growth Fnd	16.8	17.5	5.31
39.9	23.9	International	37.9	40.7	2.15
31.3	15.7	Reserves Fnd	26.5	28.5	4.90
34.9	16.0	High Dist	31.2	33.5	7.66
		Drayton Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		1-45 South St, Eastbourne. 0323 36711			
61.9	39.7	Commodity	52.3	56.3	5.69
32.1	17.4	Growth	29.2	31.1	2.96
24.1	13.0	Drayton Capital	21.7	23.1	3.34
36.6	22.4	Drayton Inc	31.0	33.0	7.38
44.7	29.0	International	41.1	43.8	2.25
		Equitas Securities Ltd.			
		Bishopsgate, London, EC2. 02774 55189			
53.4	25.6	Progressive	43.7	46.1	4.42
		Equity & Law Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		Amersham Rd, H Wycombe, Bucks. 0494 32615			
47.0	22.3	Equity & Law	42.2	44.4	4.71
		Framlington Unit Trust Management Ltd.			
		Framlington Hse, 5-7 Ireland Yd, EC4. 01-248 6971			
51.0	36.4	Capital	44.4	47.2	3.50
46.8	24.0	Income	42.9	44.6	7.55
		Friends' Provident Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		7 Leadenhall St, London, EC3. 01-626 4511			
27.5	12.9	Friends Prov	24.1	25.7	4.94
32.1	14.6	Do Accum	27.8	29.7	4.94
		Funds in Court.			
		Public Trustee, Kingsway, WC2. 01-405 4300			
85.0	45.0	Capital*	78.0	80.0	4.88
65.0	40.0	Gross Income*	58.0	61.0	8.53
73.0	43.0	High Yield*	68.0	70.0	8.31
		G and A Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex. 0277 227300			
25.6	13.6	G & A	21.3	22.8	5.73
		G.T. Unit Managers Ltd.			
		16 St Martin's-Le-Grand, EC1. 01-600 9461 Ext 13			
63.6	36.0	GT Cap	54.8	58.1	3.70
71.8	38.8	Do Accum	61.3	65.4	3.70
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Income	[illegible]	[illegible]	7.00
[illegible]	72.2	Do US Gen Fnd	149.1	158.6	1.90
[illegible]	94.6	Do Japan Gen	132.3	142.2	1.00
96.0	56.2	Do Pension Ex	83.8	88.4	3.00
		Gartmore Fund Managers.			
		2 St Mary Axe, EC3A 8BP. 01-283 3531			
34.7	22.5	Gartmore Brit	30.3	32.6	3.22
[illegible]	22.1	Do High Inc	27.8	29.9	12.32
[illegible]	19.8	Do Overseas	25.4	27.3	1.62
		Guardian Royal Exchange Unit Man Ltd.			
		Royal Exchange, London, EC3. 01-283 1031			
66.0	31.5	Guardhill	58.9	61.0	5.44
		Henderson Administration.			
		5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex 0277 227300			
		Austin Friars, London, EC2N 2ED			
48.9	33.8	Aust Trst	34.9	37.3	3.42
65.0	35.6	Cabot	59.4	63.5	4.90
38.6	20.6	Cap Accum	34.2	36.5	4.16
36.6	21.7	European	33.3	[illegible]	2.55
43.6	25.2	Far East Trst	[illegible]	41.4	2.08
34.1	21.8	Financial ITU	32.5	[illegible]	4.01
[illegible]	50.5	Henderson Gr	95.3	102.0	3.21
31.9	20.0	High Income	30.6	32.7	11.72
[illegible]	[illegible]	Inc & Assets	19.4	[illegible]	6.69
[illegible]	12.2	International	[illegible]	24.0	3.05
[illegible]	26.4	Nth American	[illegible]	41.1	2.75
31.9	19.6	Oil & Nat Res	26.3	28.0	3.73
53.1	29.3	Pers Portfolio	48.5	51.6	5.28
53.0	44.3	World Wide	49.9	53.5	6.55
		Hill Samuel Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		45 Beech St, EC2 P2LX. 01-628 8011			
38.2	29.1	Dollar	35.8	38.7	1.74
30.6	19.8	International	28.1	30.1	2.87
[illegible]	52.8	Brit Trst	101.5	108.8	5.60
[illegible]	32.6	Brit Guernsey	101.5	108.6	3.64
22.0	9.2	Cap	19.1	20.5	6.13
[illegible]	36.2	Fin Trst	71.3	76.3	4.33
[illegible]	6.8	Inc Trst	17.2	18.4	7.82
[illegible]	10.4	High Yield	17.3	18.6	8.06
40.0	19.1	Secs Trst	34.6	37.1	5.71
		Jascot Securities Ltd.			
		1 Lennox St, Edinburgh, EH3 9LH. 031-226 1421			
25.3	12.5	Compound (1)	20.1	21.3	11.31
26.8	14.1	Do Accum (1)	33.7	35.3	11.31
[illegible]	12.7	Shpe W'draw (1)	20.4	21.6	..
23.0	17.4	Preference	21.7	22.1	14.81
35.5	19.8	Do Accum	25.3	26.3	14.81
19.6	9.5	Cap (2)	14.8	15.8	..
26.2	11.1	Aust Comp Fnd	11.2	11.8	7.79
25.1	10.6	Ex-W'draw	10.8	10.9	..
26.7	14.8	Sector Ldrs (3)	20.9	22.1	3.31
26.4	8.3	Fin & Prop (3)	14.1	15.1	3.17
[illegible]	21.5	Int Growth (4)	27.6	29.1	3.34
[illegible]	13.1	Nth Sea (3)	19.1	20.3	1.30
[illegible]	23.5	Commodity (5)	36.3	38.7	1.61
[illegible]	25.0	Do Accum (5)	43.9	46.9	1.61
[illegible]	24.1	10% W'draw (5)	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
		Key Fund Managers.			
		25 Milk St, EC2V 8JE. 01-606 7070			
56.8	31.7	Cap Fund	48.4	51.5	4.22
79.1	48.1	Exempt Fnd (38)	63.2	67.2	8.77
50.8	32.7	Inc Fnd	46.6	49.6	8.60
[illegible]	41.3	KFIF	58.4	61.8	4.98
		Lawson Securities.			
		63 George Street, Edinburgh. 031-226 3911			
34.0	18.6	American Fnd	25.5	27.6	1.37
26.8	21.4	Gilt & Warrant	27.4	29.9	1.74
113.8	81.6	High Yield Fnd	105.3	113.3	13.60
120.7	84.1	Do Accum	114.4	122.4	13.60
64.6	47.3	Scottish Inc	66.8	71.8	3.30
75.2	47.3	Do Accum	67.8	72.8	3.30
		Legal & General Tyndall Fund.			
		18 Canynge Rd, Bristol. 0272 32241			
46.4	23.6	Distribution	39.4	41.6	6.06
48.4	26.2	Do Accum	44.4	47.0	6.06
		Lloyds Bank Unit Trust Managers.			
		71 Lombard Street, London, EC3. 01-626 1500			
37.3	18.8	1st Income	33.6	34.0	5.30
41.0	22.6	Do Accum	41.6	44.5	5.30
42.6	28.0	2nd Income	37.9	[illegible]	4.03
49.1	33.0	Do Accum	44.2	47.3	4.03
60.6	37.5	3rd Income	54.6	57.8	7.61
72.2	37.9	Do Accum	63.9	68.9	7.61
		M & G Securities.			
		Three Quays, Tower Hill, EC3R 6BQ. 01-626 4588			
132.1	70.5	M & G General	114.1	122.1	6.08
176.9	103.9	Do Accum	157.3	168.2	6.08
121.6	74.1	2nd Gen	109.1	116.6	5.53
163.1	95.5	Do Accum	148.2	157.1	5.53
98.6	52.0	Mid & Gen	[illegible]	84.2	8.75
126.1	72.1	Do Accum	111.6	119.4	8.75
75.5	38.8	Div Fnd	66.6	70.6	9.58
121.1	66.8	Do Accum	106.8	113.2	9.58
101.5	59.2	Special Trst	79.8	84.6	4.74
110.6	[illegible]	Do Accum	91.2	96.7	4.74
239.0	130.4	Magnum Fnd	178.9	187.8	4.42
262.1	145.2	Do Accum	205.5	215.8	4.42
58.2	28.8	FITS	45.9	49.1	3.57
63.5	[illegible]	Do Accum	51.2	54.8	3.57
73.6	48.0	Compound	67.4	71.4	2.71
118.0	71.0	Recovery	104.1	111.2	[illegible]
49.1	34.3	Extra Yield	43.8	46.5	11.39
55.2	35.2	Do Accum	49.0	51.9	11.39
108.9	66.0	Japan	97.8	104.2	1.35
52.8	36.4	Euro & Gen	43.6	46.4	3.56
35.9	18.5	American & Gen	34.6	36.9	1.96
58.1	28.6	Australasian	41.3	44.0	2.58
44.1	20.9	Far East Inc	33.8	36.0	3.76
[illegible]	21.2	Do Accum	34.5	36.7	3.76
97.3	53.3	Trustee Fnd	86.0	91.6	7.58
158.4	85.2	Do Accum	141.1	150.3	7.58
112.5	58.9	Charifund* (3)	103.1	109.9	8.12
97.1	52.5	Pension* (1)	86.9	91.7	6.09
32.3	19.3	NAACIP	28.3	..	12.01
77.9	47.0	Do Accum	73.5	..	12.01
47.3	30.6	M&G Conv	43.7	46.3	1.78
52.9	32.4	Clyde Gen	49.5	51.3	5.98
48.5	39.1	Do Accum	60.3	63.9	5.98
56.3	33.0	Clyde High Inc	50.0	53.0	11.81
73.7	43.7	Do Accum	69.2	73.4	11.81
		National Provident Inv Managers Ltd.			
		48 Gracechurch Street, EC3. 01-623 4200			
40.0	20.7	NPI Accum (15)	35.2	37.5	5.10
38.0	18.1	Do Dist (15)	31.8	33.5	5.10
118.4	106.8	Do O'seas Acc	118.4	125.3	3.50
118.4	106.8	Do O'seas Dis	118.4	125.3	3.50
		National Westminster Unit Trust Managers.			
		41 Lothbury, London, EC2P 2BP. 01-637 6044			
53.4	30.3	Capital	48.6	51.9	3.52
23.1	14.5	Income	20.8	22.3	7.71
30.1	19.9	Financial	28.8	30.9	3.91
79.5	45.9	Growth	70.1	74.8	4.32
		New Court Fund Managers Ltd.			
		72-80 Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296 5941			
144.0	113.8	Equity	123.0	130.0	3.10
118.5	77.4	Income Fund	103.3	109.8	6.62
99.3	80.9	International	91.0	96.8	2.04
95.3	76.9	Smaller Co's	83.5	88.8	4.85
		Norwich Union Insurance Group.			
		PO Box 4, Norwich, NR1 3NG. 0603 22200			
204.3	95.4	Grp Tst Fnd (3)	182.2	191.8	7.88
		Oceanic Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		3-5 Norwich Street, EC4. 01-831 6212			
38.8	24.5	Financial	30.9	32.1	4.51
20.6	12.8	General	15.5	16.5	4.56
36.7	20.8	Growth Accum	25.4	26.9	5.87
38.2	18.9	Do Income	22.5	23.9	5.87
24.4	14.6	High Income	18.2	19.3	9.00
20.2	11.6	Investment	18.4	19.6	5.42
28.4	19.3	Overseas	23.3	24.7	3.68
42.0	27.9	Performance	37.1	39.5	4.94
20.6	13.3	Progressive	17.8	19.0	6.63
21.1	12.8	Recovery	18.5	20.9	8.83
		Pearl-Montagu Trust Managers Ltd.			
		114 Old Broad St, GPO Box 535, EC2. 01-588 6464			
19.5	10.2	Growth	17.0	18.3	4.57
20.7	10.8	Do Accum	18.5	19.9	4.57
22.9	13.3	Income	20.0	21.6	7.96
28.7	15.1	Trust	25.2	27.1	4.91
33.0	17.5	Do Accum	29.4	31.7	4.91
		Pelican Unit Administration.			
		81 Fountain Street, Manchester. 061-236 5685			
55.4	30.2	Pelican	49.5	52.2	5.99
		Perpetual Unit Trust Management.			
		48 Hart St, Henly on Thames. 04912 6868			
94.5	46.5	Perpetual Grth	78.0	82.8	5.10
		Piccadilly Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		1 Love Lane, London, EC2. 01-606 8744			
31.0	21.7	Inc & Growth	24.2	26.2	3.70
33.8	20.8	Extra Inc	26.1	27.0	10.60
		Portfolio Fund Managers Ltd.			
		10 Charterhouse Sq, London, EC1. 01-251 0544			
68.3	27.5	Portfolio Cap	38.7	39.3	5.35
72.9	32.2	Grwth With.Inc	48.0	49.4	9.08
41.6	16.3	Private Port	26.9	28.5	4.24
59.2	33.7	Shenley Port	53.7	58.3	4.28
		Practical Investment Co Ltd.			
		Europa Hse, World Tr Centre, E1. 01-623 8893			
118.1	60.1	Practical Inc	108.4	117.5	3.41
152.7	76.9	Do Accum (3)	140.2	151.9	3.41
		Provincial Life Investment Co Ltd.			
		22 Bishopsgate, EC2. 01-247 6533			
62.8	29.0	Prolific	58.1	62.2	2.92
72.1	40.1	Do High Inc	61.3	65.7	8.16
		Prudential Unit Trust Managers.			
		Holborn Bars, London, EC1N 2NH. 01-405 9222			
90.5	46.5	Prudential	76.0	80.5	5.28
		Reliance Unit Managers Ltd.			
		Reliance Hse, Mt Ephraim, Tun Wells. 0892 22271			
38.4	23.6	Opp Accum (2)	35.8	38.0	4.74
		Save & Prosper Group.			
		4 Great St Helen's, EC3P 3EP. 01-588 1717			
		Dealings to 01-554 8899			
		Erskine Hse, 68-73 Queen St, Edinburgh EH2 4NX. 031-226 7351.			
		Ebor Securities.			
54.7	34.8	Universal Grwth	52.3	56.0	2.64
45.0	22.7	Capital Accum	39.8	42.6	4.98
41.9	22.6	General	36.1	38.7	5.00
41.6	21.9	High Return	35.2	37.7	7.15
62.2	41.0	Commodity	54.3	58.1	5.83
54.1	31.6	Energy	52.0	55.7	2.44
35.0	20.3	Financial	29.8	31.9	4.04
42.7	22.7	Prop & Build	35.0	37.5	4.56
88.8	44.1	Select Grwth (9)	78.8	82.3	1.80
76.0	37.6	Select Inc (9)	70.0	73.1	7.34
187.6	133.5	Comm Pen (3)	167.5	179.3	5.79
		Save & Prosper Securities Ltd.			
29.6	17.1	Capital	26.6	28.5	2.08
64.3	36.9	Financial Secs	55.2	59.1	3.22
22.2	10.9	Investment	19.7	21.1	3.98
78.0	52.9	Euro Growth‡	71.0	76.0	1.52
69.7	43.3	Japan Growth‡	64.3	68.8	0.60
72.6	43.7	US Growth‡	[illegible]	72.8	0.37
34.4	15.2	General	29.4	31.5	4.94
41.8	23.7	High Yield	35.6	38.1	7.38
32.8	19.2	Income	29.0	31.1	9.21
		Scotbits Securities Ltd.			
42.2	22.1	Scotbits	32.6	35.1	2.59
[illegible]	22.1	Scotyields	34.8	37.3	7.11
43.5	24.8	Scotgrowth	37.5	40.2	4.13
43.4	25.4	Scotshares	[illegible]	37.2	4.68
219.0	133.5	Scotfunds	210.1	221.2	1.44
39.8	20.4	Scotincome	35.0	38.0	7.18
		Henry Schroder Wagg & Co. Ltd.			
		120 Cheapside, London, EC2. 01-242 [illegible]			
83.6	40.1	Capital (16)	69.8	72.8	3.35
90.1	44.8	Do Accum	78.1	81.6	3.35
105.8	53.2	Income (16)	99.3	102.9	8.32
136.3	68.3	Do Accum	127.1	132.3	8.32
50.7	24.0	General (3)	44.5	46.3	4.71
56.0	26.7	Do Accum	51.4	53.5	4.71
42.8	27.0	Europe (18)	32.5	34.5	2.67
43.8	28.0	Do Accum	33.0	35.0	2.67
		Scottish Equitable Fund Managers Ltd.			
		28 St Andrews Square, Edinburgh. 031-556 9101			
38.7	25.0	Equitable (2)	34.5	36.8	6.80
		Slater Walker Trust Management Ltd.			
		Jessel Britannia Group			
		3 Ldn Wall Bldgs, EC2M 5QL. 01-638 0478/9			
74.7	39.8	Jessel Exempt	68.8	72.3	8.92
41.0	19.2	Do Extra Inc	35.8	37.4	10.08
51.3	16.4	Do City of Ldn	33.6	36.1	4.82
171.8	132.5	Do Gold & G	136.3	146.5	5.23
25.7	15.3	Do Invest	22.2	23.9	7.11
[illegible]	8.8	Do Prop & G	10.4	11.2	4.06
27.6	18.2	JL Int Cons	21.2	22.8	4.20
		Slater Walker Trust Management Ltd.			
		3 Ldn Wall Bldgs, EC2M 5QL. 01-638 0478/9			
62.5	38.7	Growth	52.0	55.7	5.76
58.6	27.4	Assets	45.5	48.7	7.64
26.9	15.1	Brit High Inc	21.1	22.7	13.10
38.0	21.2	Capital Accum	33.0	35.3	5.17
40.0	21.3	Cap Growth	25.9	27.8	6.32
[illegible]	20.3	Far East Fnd	18.9	20.4	4.12
[illegible]	28.9	Financial	33.1	35.4	4.20
[illegible]	15.6	General Fund	23.7	26.4	3.94
53.4	38.2	Global Grth	48.1	51.5	2.77
53.8	35.0	High Income	48.0	51.4	8.13
47.6	27.6	Income Units	38.5	41.4	8.19
37.5	20.2	New Issue	23.4	25.2	7.01
47.5	29.4	Plant & Gen	35.6	38.3	6.56
434.5	259.1	Professional	367.0	378.4	4.71
21.2	13.8	Status Change	17.3	18.6	7.72
141.1	83.3	Unit 'D'	127.5	137.1	3.97
113.0	81.6	Minerals Tst	86.9	93.5	4.48
28.0	15.8	North American	27.1	29.0	3.05
41.6	23.8	Century	35.6	38.3	4.76
66.2	41.4	Nat High Inc	55.0	59.1	8.65
31.7	18.2	Investors Gen	24.5	26.4	5.86
110.2	74.8	Provident Inv	91.6	96.4	5.30
56.3	29.1	Scot Units	45.4	46.8	4.80
42.5	29.7	Shield	35.8	38.5	5.19
65.5	44.2	Bank Ins & Fin	55.5	59.7	3.85
68.1	40.1	Commodity Shre	54.8	58.9	5.88
35.4	19.9	Domestic	26.6	28.6	6.67
41.9	28.0	Hundred Secs	36.9	39.7	5.77
		National Group.			
		35 Norwich St, EC4 01-831 6212			
41.0	28.3	Comm Cons	31.3	33.7	4.14
50.9	34.9	Gas Ind Power	44.0	47.3	4.03
79.5	26.3	Invest Sec Gen	44.0	47.3	4.84
43.4	25.7	National Cons	37.4	40.2	4.50
39.0	21.7	Nulits	36.7	39.5	4.60
62.7	51.5	Natural Res	56.9	61.2	[illegible]
59.8	36.6	Security First	51.5	55.4	5.68
50.5	36.3	Shamrock	45.9	49.4	4.55
97.9	84.9	Universal 2nd	82.8	89.0	4.86
		Stewart Unit Trust Managers.			
		45 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh. 031-226 3271			
66.6	26.2	American	50.0	54.1	2.70
100.6	82.7	British Cap	86.8	93.6	4.18
		Sun Alliance Management Ltd.			
		Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex. 0403 64141			
130.0	108.0	Exempt Eq Tst	120.0	126.0	4.75
		72-80 Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296 5941			
74.3	46.9	Family Fund	61.1	64.9	3.25
		Target Trust Managers Ltd.			
		Target Hse, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296 5941			
26.4	15.1	Consumer	21.6	23.1	7.15
53.8	31.4	Financial	44.6	47.9	4.87
34.4	18.5	Equity	25.9	27.6	6.81
141.1	81.1	Exempt	126.0	129.5	5.91
168.1	94.4	Do Accum (3)	149.2	154.6	4.85
29.8	15.4	Growth	21.7	23.2	4.61
26.8	17.7	International	26.2	[illegible]	2.15
[illegible]	17.7	Do Re-invest	26.6	28.6	2.15
21.2	13.0	Investment	21.0	[illegible]	2.88
124.0	72.0	Professional (3)	107.2	111.8	5.61
18.6	11.0	Income	15.4	17.5	8.43
13.2	9.8	Preference	11.5	12.3	14.52
		Target Trust Managers (Scotland) Ltd.			
		19 Atholl Crescent, Edinburgh, 3. 031-229 8621			
31.2	15.0	Eagle	28.5	[illegible]	3.36
29.7	16.8	Thistle	26.8	28.4	6.98
44.6	27.9	Claymore Fnd	41.4	43.8	3.59
		TSB Unit Trust Managers Ltd.			
		21 Chantry Way, Andover, Hants. Andover 62188			
31.7	15.6	General	28.3	30.0	4.20
37.0	17.8	Do Accum	32.8	35.0	4.20
59.4	45.9	Scottish	53.3	56.2	3.11
59.4	45.9	Do Accum	53.3	56.2	3.11
		Transatlantic & General Securities.			
		99 New London Rd, Chelmsford. 0245 51651			
56.9	31.3	Barbican (4)	54.7	58.2	5.71
84.0	41.0	Do Accum	75.1	79.9	5.71
154.2	100.0	Barrington Fnd	139.4	146.0	5.14
154.2	100.0	Do Accum	141.2	147.9	5.14
71.8	44.7	Buckingham (4)	67.1	70.3	3.97
79.7	49.2	Do Accum	75.3	78.9	3.97
99.6	49.4	Colemco	92.8	97.8	4.46
107.8	52.4	Do Accum	100.4	105.6	4.45
143.6	97.4	Endeavour	137.1	143.6	3.61
48.9	29.3	Glen Fund (2)	38.3	41.7	5.52
52.6	32.9	Do Accum	44.1	48.1	5.52
87.3	47.8	G'chester* (5)	76.8	80.9	2.82
88.3	64.0	Ldn & Brus'ls*	76.5	80.2	5.01
48.8	31.1	Marlborough	47.1	49.4	3.13
51.8	32.6	Do Accum	50.0	52.4	3.13
48.8	36.8	Merlin (1)	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
55.5	39.0	Do Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
43.4	23.5	Merlin Yield	35.3	37.2	9.61
47.4	25.8	Do Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]	9.61
39.7	19.9	Vanguard (2)	34.6	36.4	3.82
45.3	22.4	Do Accum	39.6	41.8	3.82
49.2	31.0	Wickmoor	44.5	46.7	5.36
53.3	32.4	Do Accum	47.9	50.2	5.36
		Trident Funds.			
		(Schlesinger Trust Managers Ltd.)			
		140 South St, Dorking. 0306 86441			
22.0	10.7	Performance	15.4	16.6	5.24
39.0	21.9	Income Fund	32.7	34.8	10.52
33.5	18.4	10% Withdrwl	27.0	28.7	..
31.0	23.7	Int Growth	47.4	50.4	3.19
29.2	21.2	AmerGrwth	28.8	30.6	..
34.7	25.0	Nil Yield Fnd	24.6	26.2	..
		Tyndall Managers Ltd.			
		18 Canynge Rd, Bristol. 0272 32241			
82.6	43.2	Income	73.6	77.4	7.51
128.0	65.8	Do Accum	114.8	120.6	7.51
101.8	53.8	Capital	82.2	86.4	4.41
122.6	66.4	Do Accum	105.4	110.8	4.41
92.8	34.6	Canynge Fund	61.8	65.0	4.83
103.4	38.4	Do Accum	69.6	73.2	4.83
89.6	43.0	Exempt*	70.8	74.4	5.19
103.4	51.8	Do Accum	86.8	91.2	5.19
79.4	38.8	Local Auth*	53.4	56.2	4.38
88.6	44.6	Do Accum	62.8	66.0	4.38
194.6	100.2	Int Earn Fnd	174.2	183.0	5.23
197.4	100.2	Do Accum	177.6	186.6	5.23
		Tyndall National & Commercial.			
		18 Canynge Rd, Bristol. 0272 32241			
114.0	66.4	Income (23)	104.6	109.4	6.21
139.6	80.0	Do Accum	128.0	134.0	6.21
102.6	52.2	Capital (23)	91.0	95.2	4.55
113.2	58.6	Do Accum	103.0	107.8	4.55
		Unit Trust Account & Management.			
		5-8 Mincing Lane, EC3M. 01-623 4951			
98.0	62.0	Friars Hse Fnd	91.0	96.0	7.08
26.1	11.8	Gt Winchester	15.1	16.3	7.83
23.9	8.7	Do Overseas	13.0	14.1	2.31

Insurance Bonds and Funds

1974/75 High	Low	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
		Abbey Life Assurance Co Ltd.			
		1-3 St Pauls Churchyard, EC4P 4DX 01-248 9111			
37.9	15.6	Equity Fund (3)	25.6	[illegible]	..
28.4	12.2	Do Accum (3)	20.5	21.5	..
[illegible]	94.4	Prop Fund (27)	108.8	115.5	..
[illegible]	89.2	Do Accum (27)	102.8	108.2	..
71.1	37.8	Select Fund (3)	[illegible]	62.4	..
105.7	100.0	Conv Fund	105.7	112.1	..
100.3	100.0	Money Fund	100.2	106.2	..
145.4	94.2	Pension Prop (27)	110.1	116.8	..
[illegible]	37.3	Do Select (3)	53.1	56.4	..
106.9	100.0	Do Security	101.4	107.3	..
108.1	100.0	Do Managed	106.6	112.9	..
		Albany Life Assurance Co Ltd.			
		31 Old Burlington Street, W1. 01-437 5962			
95.6	100.0	Guar Mon Fnd	95.6	100.6	..
96.8	100.0	Do Accum	96.8	101.8	..
127.4	100.0	Equity Fnd	116.3	122.4	..
128.5	100.0	Do Accum	119.1	125.4	..
107.5	100.0	Property Fnd	95.0	100.0	..
96.9	100.0	Do Accum	96.0	101.0	..
98.3	100.0	Fixed Int Fnd	98.3	103.5	..
99.3	100.0	Do Accum	99.3	104.5	..
111.1	100.0	Mult Inv Fnd	111.2	117.0	..
117.8	100.0	Do Accum	112.6	118.5	..
97.3	100.0	Guar Mon Pen	[illegible]	101.8	..
99.0	100.0	Do Accum	98.0	103.1	..
97.0	100.0	Property Pen	94.1	101.2	..
97.5	100.0	Do Accum	97.4	102.5	..
99.5	100.0	Fixed Int Pen	99.5	104.7	..
100.9	100.0	Do Accum	100.8	106.1	..
122.3	100.0	Mult Inv Pen	115.0	121.0	..
128.3	100.0	Do Accum	116.5	122.7	..
		AMEV Life Assurance Ltd.			
		3 Pavilion Bldgs, Brighton, BN1 1EE. 0273 21917			
107.5	100.0	Triad Man Bond	105.1	111.1	..
		Atlantic Assurance			
		(see Property Growth Ass)			
		Barclays Life Assurance Co.			
		Unicorn Hse, 252 Romford Rd, E7. 01-555 1211			
88.1	66.0	Barclaybonds	82.5	86.9	..
		Canada Life Assurance			
		2-6 High St, Potters Bar, Herts. P Bar 51122			
46.4	24.9	Equity Growth	41.0	..	..
104.3	53.5	Retirement	93.7	..	..
		Cannon Assurance Ltd.			
		1 Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB. 01-902 8876			
12.05	7.38	Equity Units £	11.36	..	..
111.0	67.0	Do Accum	106.0	..	..
77.0	48.0	Do Annuity	72.0	..	..
969.0	714.0	Prop Units	732.0	..	..
962.0	758.0	Do Accum	756.0	..	..
9.64	7.94	Exec Bal £	9.54	..	..
8.15	5.06	Exec Equity £	7.69	..	..
11.35	9.39	Exec Prop £	9.69	..	..
9.95	8.40	Bal Bond £	9.54	10.10	..
8.15	5.35	Equity Bond £	7.69	8.14	..
11.35	10.00	Prop Bond £	9.69	10.25	..
9.64	7.94	Bal Units £	9.54	..	..
94.5	100.0	Deposit Bnd	94.5	100.0	..
		City of Westminster Assurance Society.			
		6 Whitehorse Rd, Croydon, CR0 2JA. 01-684 6944			
		Valuation last working day of month.			
73.1	64.8	1st Units	71.1	74.8	..
50.9	45.8	Prop Units	45.1	47.5	..
		City of Westminster Assurance Co.			
		6 Whitehorse Rd, Croydon, CR0 2JA. 01-684 6944			
		Valuation last working day of month.			
48.1	41.5	W'minster Units	42.0	44.1	..
68.2	57.2	Land Bank	59.4	..	..
44.5	33.1	Speculator	34.1	..	..
138.0	131.0	Prop Annuity	132.0	138.6	..
103.2	100.0	Inv Option Bnd	103.2	108.6	..
38.4	33.3	Equity Fnd	31.7	33.3	..
		2nd Managed Fund.			
121.1	46.0	Performance	116.8	..	..
119.0	113.2	Balanced	117.7	123.8	..
100.0	100.0	Guarantee	100.0	..	..
		Commercial Union Group.			
		St Helen's, 1 Undershaft, EC3. 01-283 7500			
34.1	18.4	Variable An Acc	32.2	..	..
18.6	10.2	Do Ann	12.4	..	..
		Cornhill Insurance.			
		32 Cornhill, London, EC3. 01-626 5410			
		Valuation 15th of month			
110.0	63.5	Capital Fnd	101.5	..	..
48.5	25.0	GS Special	39.0	..	..
119.5	65.0	Man Grwth (23)	117.0	123.6	..
		Crown Life Fund Insurance Co.			
		Addiscombe Rd, Croydon 01-686 4300			
113.0	91.3	Crown Brit Inv	110.9	..	..
		Crusader Insurance.			
		Bowring Bldgs, Tower Place, EC3. 01-626 8031			
		Valuation 1st Tuesday of month.			
61.8	50.8	Crusader Prop	51.4	57.2	..
		Eagle Star Insurance/Midland Assurance.			
		PO Box 173, NLA Tower, Croydon 01-681 1031			
40.7	23.7	Eagle Units	32.0	34.2	7.13
40.7	23.8	Midland Units	33.0	34.2	7.12
		Fidelity Life Assurance Ltd.			
		30 Charles II St, SW1. 01-930 2404			
46.9	31.5	Am Grth Fnd (1)	44.6	46.9	..
22.3	16.0	Flexible Fnd	21.3	22.4	..
44.4	33.6	Tst of Trsts	43.2	45.3	..
46.9	35.1	Do Cap	46.1	48.6	..
		Guardian Royal Exchange Assurance Group.			
		Royal Exchange, London, EC3. 01-283 7107			
168.4	131.9	Prop Bond	129.6	135.0	..
101.3	59.9	Pen Man Bonds	100.4	105.7	..
		Hambro Life Assurance.			
		7 Old Park Lane, London, W1. 01-499 0031			
132.4	100.0	Fixed Int Fnd	106.8	112.5	..
120.5	75.2	Equity	112.1	118.0	..
134.7	106.3	Property	117.4	123.6	..
107.8	73.1	Managed Cap	100.9	106.3	..
119.3	90.7	Do Accum	114.0	120.0	..
142.5	134.0	Pen Prop Cap	136.2	143.4	..
154.4	151.9	Do Accum	148.1	156.6	..
127.7	127.0	Pen Man Cap	123.3	[illegible]	..
157.3	131.8	Do Accum	157.3	165.6	..
113.5	100.0	Pen FI Cap	108.0	113.8	..
119.3	100.0	Do Accum	113.7	119.8	..
		Hearts of Oak Benefit Society.			
		Euston Rd, London, NW1. 01-387 5020			
35.2	29.6	Prop Bond	29.4	31.2	..
		Hill Samuel Life Assurance Ltd.			
		NLA Twr, Addiscombe Rd, Croydon. 01-686 4355			
159.5	121.8	HS Prop Units	120.4	126.4	..
115.3	68.4	Fortune Man (5)	110.2	116.1	..
102.3	100.0	Money Fnd	102.3	107.6	..
		Hodge Life Assurance Co Ltd.			
		114 116 St Mary St, Cardiff. 42577			
49.9	27.3	Hodge Bonds	42.2	44.5	..
54.4	40.0	Takeover	51.5	54.0	..
23.7	25.0	Hodge Life Eq	23.7	25.0	..
23.7	25.0	Mortgage Fnd	23.7	25.0	..
23.7	25.0	Conv High Yld	23.7	25.0	..
23.7	25.0	Overseas Fnd	23.7	25.0	..
		Imperial Life Assurance Co of Canada			
		Imperial Life Hse, London Rd, Guildford. 71255			
48.8	36.2	Growth Fnd (5)	45.8	49.8	..
41.8	30.8	Pension Fnd	39.2	41.5	..
		Individual Life Insurance Ltd.			
		45 South St, Eastbourne, BN21 4UT. 0323 36711			
102.0	68.0	Equities	94.7	99.7	..
119.5	105.5	Fixed Int	118.0	124.3	..
114.4	95.4	Managed	110.7	116.6	..
105.0	105.2	Property	104.8	110.4	..
109.9	100.0	MoneyFund	101.1	106.4	..
116.8	99.2	King & Shaxson	116.8	119.2	..
98.3	99.0	Do Gov Sec Bd	98.3	103.5	..
104.6	97.1	Commodity	92.3	97.1	..
100.8	97.2	Growth	92.7	97.6	..
106.6	100.0	Capital	[illegible]	106.1	..
[illegible]	92.3	Income	[illegible]	94.5	..
120.5	100.0	International	111.7	117.6	..
		Investment Annuity Life Assurance.			
		9 Devereux Court, London, WC2. 01-353 5637			
107.6	59.5	Lion Equity	83.3	..	..
113.3	76.9	Do Accum	100.1	..	..
63.2	48.2	Lion Man Grwth	51.0	53.9	..
61.8	43.4	Do Cap	44.4	46.9	..
78.6	52.5	Lion Prop Fnd	57.3	..	..
78.1	46.1	Lion High Yield	55.2	..	..
111.8	81.8	Do Equity Pen	106.0	..	..
78.8	54.7	Do Prop Pen	[illegible]	..	..
70.6	52.9	Do H Yld Pen	[illegible]	..	..
		Irish Life Assurance.			
		11 Finsbury Sq, London, EC2. 01-628 8253			
157.9	142.4	Prop Modules	137.8	145.0	5.33
137.7	142.4	Do Grwth (31)	137.7	144.9	..
129.8	100.0	Managed Fnd	128.7	135.5	..
55.6	32.3	Blue Chip Fnd	52.0	54.7	4.80
		Langham Life Assurance.			
		Migdal Hse, Finsbury Sq, EC2. 01-628 8881			
136.8	105.8	Property Bnd	105.6	111.2	..
30.9	22.3	Spec Prop Fnd	22.2	23.4	..
84.2	41.7	Midas Bond (34)	39.6	41.7	..
84.3	39.6	Capital Accum	39.6	..	..
57.1	52.9	WISP (SpecMan)	57.1	60.1	..
		Life & Equity Assurance Co Ltd.			
		1 Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB. 01-902 8876			
29.0	21.5	Secure Ret	29.0	31.0	..
30.5	18.8	Select Inv	24.0	25.5	..
23.0	18.0	Do 2nd	19.0	20.5	..
25.0	19.5	Gilt Fnd	24.5	26.5	..
24.0	15.5	Equity Fnd	18.1	20.0	..
101.5	100.0	Deposit Fnd	101.5	107.0	..
		Lloyds Life Assurance Ltd.			
		12 Leadenhall St, EC3M 7LS. 01-623 6621			
138.6	100.0	Mult Grwth Fnd	..	130.2	..
98.6	69.3	Opt 4 Equity	87.0	91.6	..
103.6	100.0	Do Property	103.6	109.1	..
111.1	94.7	Do High Yield	110.6	116.5	..
105.5	99.9	Do Managed	102.5	107.9	..
102.1	100.0	Do Deposit	102.1	107.5	..
108.6	100.0	Pen Dep Fnd	108.6	114.4	..
165.5	143.2	Do Equity Fnd	155.1	163.3	..
123.1	100.0	Do FI Fnd	120.5	126.9	..
124.7	100.0	Do Man Fnd	122.9	129.4	..
105.1	100.0	Do Prop Fnd	105.1	110.7	..
		Manufacturers Life Insurance.			
		Manulife Hse, Stevenage, Herts. 0438 56101			
29.9	17.2	Manulife (5)	27.7	29.1	..
		Merchant Investors Assurance.			
		125 High Street, Croydon. 01-686 9171			
110.2	102.7	ConvDepBnd	110.2	..	..
107.7	100.0	Do Pension	107.7	..	..
73.8	38.8	Equity Bond	46.9	..	..
142.3	91.1	Do Pension	117.9	..	..
113.3	80.2	Managed Bond	85.0	..	..
100.3	89.3	Do Pension	93.9	..	..
117.9	101.2	Money Market	114.7	..	..
125.0	100.0	Do Pension	118.8	..	..
150.8	97.6	Property Bond	105.7	..	..
146.1	94.1	Do Pension	102.2	..	..
		M & G Assurance.			
		Three Quays, Tower Hill, EC3R 6BQ. 01-626 4588			
97.9	58.6	Equity Bond (4)	81.5	85.5	..
77.0	41.6	Do Bonus	59.3	61.8	..
83.5	49.4	Int'l Bnd (4)	69.1	72.7	..
115.4	66.9	Fam Bnd 1976	113.1	..	..
103.8	65.9	Do 1977/80	87.3	..	..
119.0	[illegible]	Do 1981/86	113.2	..	..
87.9	67.5	Managed Bonds	96.0	100.9	..
43.6	29.4	Mirror Bonds	42.3	..	..
129.0	[illegible]	Pers Pen (5)	121.0	124.7	..
139.3	109.4	Prop Fnd (4)	109.2	114.8	..
		Norwich Union Insurance Group.			
		PO Box 4, Norwich, NR1 3NG. 0603 22200			
128.8	99.7	Norwich Man (3)	126.1	132.7	..
191.7	94.1	Do Equity (3)	172.2	181.3	..
98.0	100.0	Do Prop (3)	98.0	103.2	..
102.8	99.8	Do Fix Int (3)	102.8	108.2	..
118.9	54.3	Do Units (38)	108.6	..	..
		Pearl-Montagu Assurance.			
		252 High Holborn, London, EC2. 01-588 6464			
105.6	96.8	Prop Units	98.8	104.1	..
		Phoenix Assurance.			
		4-5 King William St, EC4. 01-626 9876			
85.3	56.9	Wealth Ass Bnd	77.9	82.1	..
52.2	35.5	Ebor Ass (31)	48.3	..	..
52.3	39.0	Ebor Endow (32)	51.1	53.7	..
		Property Equity & Life Ass Co.			
		119 Crawford St, London, W1. 01-486 0857			
178.2	142.7	R Silk Prop Bnd	145.7	..	..
115.0	69.8	Do Bal Ag Bnd	64.6	..	..
100.3	85.8	Do Series (2)	97.6	..	..
93.1	87.3	Do Managed	89.7	..	..
102.7	67.8	Do Equity Bnd	74.1	..	..
113.9	100.0	Do Flex Mny	113.8	..	..
		Property Growth Assurance.			
		111 Westminster Bridge Rd, SE1 7JF. 01-928 0381			
175.0	141.5	Prop Grwth (29)	148.5	..	..
751.0	460.0	AG Bond (29)	462.0	..	..
136.5	123.5	Abb Nat PG (29)	123.5	..	..
54.3	48.5	Shenley Inv (29)	52.9	..	..
122.0	100.0	Equity Fnd	122.0	..	..
112.0	100.0	Money Fnd	112.0	..	..
130.0	117.0	Ret Annuity (29)	130.0	..	..
126.0	103.5	Immed Ann (33)	108.0	..	..
105.7	100.6	All-Weather Ac	95.6	100.6	..
107.2	98.8	Do Capital	93.9	98.8	..
112.0	97.0	Investment Fnd	106.0	..	..
109.0	88.0	Pension Fnd	100.0	..	..
103.5	102.4	Conv Pen Fnd	..	103.5	..
103.2	102.4	Man Pen Fnd	..	103.2	..
103.4	103.4	Prop Pen Fnd	..	103.4	..
		Prudential Pensions Ltd.			
		Holborn Bars, EC1N 2NH. 01-405 9222			
17.22	8.37	Equity £	13.80	14.23	..
12.03	10.01	Fixed Int £	12.03	12.31	..
19.60	16.46	Property £	17.34	17.88	..
		Reliance Mutual Insurance Society Ltd.			
		Tunbridge Wells, Kent. 0892 22271			
170.1	136.6	Rel Prop Bnd	148.1	..	..
		Save & Prosper Group.			
		4 Great St Helen's, EC3P 3EP. 01-554 8899			
96.0	79.3	Bal Bnd	92.1	97.0	..
92.1	54.7	Equity Bnd	88.2	92.9	..
[illegible]	13.6	Mini Bond (4)	[illegible]	22.5	..
124.3	100.3	Prop Fnd (30)	106.4	112.1	..
		Schroder Life Group.			
		18-24 Maltravers St, WC2. 01-836 3883			
96.0	100.0	Deposit Bnd (5)	96.9	102.1	..
104.0	100.0	Fixed Interest	104.0	109.5	..
93.5	63.6	Flexible Fnd	88.1	92.7	..
153.1	87.1	Equity Fnd	155.1	..	..
155.1	90.8	Do 2nd Ser	140.8	148.3	..
133.1	100.0	PenFndCap	128.8	135.7	..
142.0	100.0	PenFndAccum	130.8	137.8	..
97.0	100.0	Prop Fnd (3)	97.0	102.1	..
		Scottish Widows Fund & Life Assurance.			
		6 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh. 031-225 1291			
[illegible]	[illegible]	Inv Policy	257.7	265.4	..
		Standard Life Assurance Co.			
		PO Box 62, 3 George St, Edinburgh. 031-225 7971			
91.9	41.8	Unit Endowm't	85.9	..	..
		Sun Life of Canada (UK) Ltd.			
		2-4 Cockspur St, SW1 01-930 5400			
134.1	70.2	Maple Leaf (3)	125.7	..	..
126.8	102.8	Personal Pens	125.2	..	..
		Target Life Assurance.			
		Target Hse, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296 5941			
100.4	100.0	Deposit Inc	95.3	100.3	..
107.1	98.2	Fixed Interest	97.2	102.9	..
93.1	50.2	Man Fnd Acc	93.2	98.6	..
97.1	60.6	Do Income	84.0	88.8	..
130.0	96.0	Prop Bnd Inv	90.0	..	..
96.0	93.2	Do Income	89.9	95.5	..
143.0	90.0	Do Accum	103.0	..	..
53.2	30.7	Ret Ann Pen Cap	43.7	46.9	..
57.5	32.9	Do Accum	48.5	52.1	..
		Trident Life.			
		Renslade Hse, Gloucester. 0452 36541			
107.2	81.0	Trident Man	106.3	112.4	..
119.8	93.5	Do Guar Man	119.8	126.2	..
107.4	102.0	Do Property	107.4	113.1	..
90.0	58.3	Do Equity	82.8	87.3	..
112.1	89.9	Do High Yield	112.1	118.1	..
103.2	100.0	Do Money	103.2	108.6	..
100.5	100.0	DoFiscalFnd	100.5	105.5	..
112.0	26.5	Do Bonds	47.0	50.0	..
93.30	82.10	Gilt Edged (1)	89.20	..	..
		Tyndall Assurance.			
		18 Canynge Rd, Bristol 0272 32241			
145.4	79.4	Prop Fnd (19)	84.8	..	..
125.6	75.4	3 Way Fnd (19)	94.8	..	..
		Vanbrugh Life Assurance Ltd.			
		41-43 Maddox St, London, W1R9LA. 01-499 4923			
143.5	75.0	Equity Fnd	125.8	132.5	..
112.0	100.0	Fixed Int Fnd	109.9	115.7	..
103.1	100.0	Property Fnd	[illegible]	109.2	..
100.6	93.6	Cash Fund	100.6	105.6	..
102.3	72.9	Managed Fnd	94.3	99.3	..
		Welfare Insurance.			
		The Leas, Folkestone, Kent. 0303 57333			
133.0	100.0	Capital Growth	119.5	..	..
84.4	71.1	Flexible Fnd	77.9	..	..
100.3	81.5	Inv Fnd	96.6	..	..
131.9	73.6	Prop Fnd	73.4	..	..
96.7	73.9	Money Maker	74.1	..	..

Offshore and International Funds

1974/75 High	Low	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
		Abacus Arbuthnot (C.I.) Ltd.			
		1 Broad St, St Helier, Jersey, C.I. 0534 25561			
87.0	55.7	Red Part Pref	83.0	86.7	2.16
		Barbican Managers (Jersey) Ltd.			
		PO Box 63, St Helier, Jersey, C.I. 0534 37606			
99.6	60.3	Europ'n Ster	95.0	100.6	..
		Barclays Unicorn International (Ch Is) Ltd.			
		Church St, St Helier, Jersey. 0534 37806			
44.0	37.7	Jer Guer O'seas	43.4	45.8	11.60
		Barclays Unicorn International (I.O.M.) Ltd.			
		30 Victoria St, Douglas, I.O.M. 0624 4856			
66.7	34.8	Aust Ext Tst	[illegible]	44.4	4.20
23.8	13.0	Aust Min Tst	19.2	20.5	2.90
50.4	40.0	Isle of Man Tst	43.7	46.0	9.10
43.0	16.7	Manx Mutual	23.0	24.8	2.40
		Brandts & Grindlay (Jersey) Ltd.			
		PO Box 80, Broad St, St Helier.			
149.0	78.0	Brandt Jersey	103.0	112.0	6.05
159.0	88.0	Do Accum	126.0	135.0	5.27
		Brandts Ltd.			
		36 Fenchurch St, London, EC3 01-626 6599			
70.84	53.23	O'seas Fnd $	69.25	..	..
		Calvin Bullock Ltd.			
		60 Bishopsgate, London, EC2. 01-283 5453			
828.0	535.0	Bullock Fnd	785.0	860.0	1.97
631.0	518.0	Canadian Fnd	603.0	660.0	1.81
297.0	238.0	Canadian Inv	283.0	321.0	2.28
209.0	140.0	Div Shares	194.0	219.0	2.20
734.0	489.0	NY Venture Fnd	700.0	763.0	..
		Charterhouse Japhet.			
		1 Paternoster Row, EC4. 01-248 3999			
31.90	24.30	Adiropa DM	31.30	32.90	6.98
54.40	29.20	Adiverba DM	54.40	57.20	6.12
32.90	25.50	Fondak DM	32.30	34.10	6.34
25.00	18.50	Fondis DM	25.00	26.40	6.82
68.50	39.00	Gen O'seas Sw fr	46.00	50.00	3.40
69.29	56.50	Hispano $	62.86	66.03	1.84
		Cornhill Insurance (Guernsey) Ltd.			
		PO Box 157, St Julians Ct, St Peters, Guernsey			
151.0	91.0	Int Cap Man (20)	139.0	151.5	..
		Ebor Management (Jersey).			
		37 Broad St, St Helier, Jersey. 0534 20591			
194.4	111.5	Channel Cap	172.4	181.5	2.36
102.8	64.6	Channel Isles	87.5	92.1	3.98
		Eurosyndicat Group.			
		Agents: N. M. Rothschild and Sons,			
		New Ct, St Swithin's Lane, EC4. 01-626 4356			
1.772	1.382	Eurunion Luxfr	1.744	1.814	4.56
539.0	253.0	Fin Union Luxfr	332.0	345.0	5.22
		First General Unit Managers.			
		91 Pembroke Rd, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4 680089			
50.3	34.2	Bnk 1 Ist Gen (3)	46.0	49.6	5.38
116.3	100.3	Do Gilt (2)	114.6	118.5	9.49
		Hambros (Guernsey) Ltd.			
		PO Box 86, St Peter Port, Guernsey. 0481 26521			
115.9	62.9	Channel Isle	95.4	103.1	5.84
		Individual Life Insurance Ltd.			
		45 South St, Eastbourne BN 21 4UT. 0323 36711			
106.5	100.0	Foreign Fix Int	106.1	112.9	..
105.6	100.0	Do Equity	103.6	110.3	..
		Kayanday Bermuda Management Ltd.			
		Atlas Hse, PO Box 1029, Hamilton 5, Bermuda			
1.41	1.15	Bishopsgate N.A.	1.41	1.47	..
		Lamont Investment Management Ltd.			
		8 St Georges St, Douglas, I.O.M. Douglas 4682			
25.0	17.4	Int Income (3)	21.3	22.7	8.30
35.9	27.2	Do Grwth (10)	32.7	36.0	4.32
		Manx International Management.			
		30 Victoria St, Douglas, I.O.M. 0624 4856			
155.9	81.0	Gtr Pacific	116.6	124.6	..
46.8	34.5	Manx Int Inc	42.2	45.2	7.50
102.1	71.1	Sch Growth (27)	73.1	74.4	..
		M & G Group.			
		Three Quays, Tower Hill, EC3R 6BQ. 01-626 4588			
96.4	55.4	Island Fnd*	79.0	81.5	4.44
130.6	70.1	Do Accum*	100.0	103.3	4.44
1.88	1.28	Atlantic Exp $	1.84	1.99	..
2.26	1.10	Aust & Gen $	1.45	1.50	..
		Old Court Fund Managers Ltd.			
		PO Box 58, St Julians Ct, Guernsey. 0481 26331			
45.4	36.6	Old Ct Eq (34)	45.2	48.1	5.58
103.9	85.9	Old Ct Int (35)	103.9	110.5	..
102.3	84.1	Smaller Co's	92.2	98.0	6.33
		Oliver Heath & Co.			
		31 Malew St, Castletown, I.O.M. 0624 823748			
109.5	81.9	Brit Conv Tst	101.7	107.1	14.00
99.0	100.0	Cap Sec'd Res	99.0	100.9	..
116.8	100.0	Conv Rights Tst	103.3	108.7	9.00
		4 Irish Place, Gibraltar. Telex GK 245			
144.3	110.0	Gib Inv Tst	107.3	124.7	5.70
135.5	76.1	Key City Inv	85.3	89.2	..
78.1	34.9	Warrant Fnd	63.6	67.0	..
		Slater Walker (Jersey).			
		2-6 Church St, St Helier, Jersey. 0534 37361			
258.8	135.7	Growth Inv	222.5	240.5	3.00
67.3	43.0	Int'l Fnd	57.6	62.3	3.00
143.3	100.0	Jersey Energy	143.3	154.9	1.00
		Target Trust Managers (Cayman) Ltd.			
		PO Box 719, Grand Cayman, Cayman Is.			
1.03	0.43	Offshore $	0.64	0.67	..
		Tyndall Overseas Funds Managers Ltd.			
		PO Box 1256, Hamilton, Bermuda.			
1.27	0.91	Overseas $	1.18	1.25	5.00
1.65	1.12	Do Accum $	1.58	1.64	5.00
		Tyndall Managers (Jersey) Ltd.			
		43 La Motte St, St Helier, Jersey. 0534 37331			
10.60	5.63	Overseas Str £	7.15	7.55	6.00
13.45	7.00	Do Accum £	9.45	10.00	6.00

• Ex dividend. * Not available to the general public. † Guernsey gross yield. ‡ Previous days price. x Ex all. c Dealings suspended. s Subdivided. ƒ Cash value for £100 premium.

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LEGAL NOTICES

No. 002184 of 1975

In The HIGH COURT of JUSTICE Chancery Division Companies Court. In the Matter of CODILLE Limited and in the Matter of The Companies Act, 1948.

Notice is hereby given that a PETITION for the WINDING-UP of the above named Company by the High Court of Justice was on the 26th day of June 1975 presented to the said Court by Kingsley Wansbeck (Business Products) Limited (in Liquidation) whose registered office is at 32 Hill Street Richmond Surrey acting by the Liquidator Stanley Rose of 21 Forestdale Southgate London N14 and that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Court sitting at The Royal Courts of Justice Strand London on the 28th day of July 1975, and any Creditor or Contributory of the said Company desirous to support or oppose the making of an Order on the said Petition may appear at the time of hearing in person or by his Counsel for that purpose; and a copy of the Petition will be furnished by the undersigned to any Creditor or Contributory of the said Company requiring such copy on payment of the regulated charge for the same.

Signed MACFARLANES, Dowgate Hill House, London EC4R 2SY Solicitors for the Petitioner.

NOTE: Any person who intends to appear on the hearing of the said Petition must serve on or send by post to the above-named notice in writing (b) of his intention so to do. The notice must state the name and address of the person, or, if a firm, the name and address of the firm, and must be signed by the person or firm, or his or their solicitor (if any), and must be served or, if posted, must be sent by post in sufficient time to reach the above-named not later than 4 o'clock in the afternoon of the 25th day of July 1975.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND SCIENCE

NOTICE

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Birmingham. Certain Education Endowments.

Notice is hereby given:—

(1) That the Secretary of State for Education and Science proposes to make an Order under Section 2 of the Education Act 1973 in respect of the endowment specified in the Schedule below.

(2) That under Section 3 of the Education Act 1973 any person interested may within one month of the date of this Notice make representations on the proposed Order in writing to the Secretary of State.

(3) A draft (copy) of the proposed Order may be inspected on any week day (except Saturdays) during one calendar month from the date of this Notice between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the offices of Messrs. Michael Prior and Co., Solicitors, Holbeck House, 134 Edmund Street, Birmingham, B3 3EU. Copies can be obtained from the Department of Education and Science, Legal Branch, Elizabeth House, York Road, London, SE1 7PH.

SCHEDULE

St. Michael's Old Roman Catholic Boys' and Girls' Primary Schools, Birmingham, comprised in two Conveyances dated October 1, 1912.

Dated July 18, 1975.

In the Matter of the Companies Acts 1948 to 1967 and in the Matter of AEROCHECKS Limited (In Liquidation)

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 299 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above-named Company will be held at the Offices of W. H. CORK, GULLY & Co., Chartered Accountants of 19, Eastcheap, London, EC3M 1DA on Wednesday the 30th day of July, 1975 at 11 a.m. to be followed at 11.15 a.m. by a GENERAL MEETING of the CREDITORS for the purpose of receiving an account of the Liquidators' Acts and Dealings and of the conduct of the Winding-up to date.

Dated this 14th day of July, 1975.

N. H. RUSSELL,
J. D. NAYLOR,
Joint Liquidators.

In the Matter of The Companies Acts, 1948 to 1967 and in the Matter of CENTURY BETA Limited (Formerly: Mitchell-Yuill Limited) (In Voluntary Liquidation)

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 299 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above-named Company will be held at the Offices of W. H. CORK, GULLY & Co., Chartered Accountants of 19, Eastcheap, London, EC3M 1DA on Friday, the 1st day of August 1975, at 11 a.m. to be followed at 11.15 a.m. by a GENERAL MEETING of the CREDITORS for the purpose of receiving an account of the Liquidator's Acts and Dealings and of the conduct of the Winding-Up to date.

Dated this 11th day of July, 1975.

M. A. JORDAN,
Liquidator.

DOOARS HOLDINGS LIMITED

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 293 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a Meeting of the CREDITORS of the above-named Company will be held at Winchester House, 100 Old Broad Street, London, E.C.2, on Thursday, the 7th day of August, 1975, at 12.00 noon for the purposes mentioned in Sections 293, 294 and 295 of the said Act.

Dated this 17th day of July, 1975.

By Order of the Board,
JOHN HENDERSON,
Chairman.

In the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE No. 002199 of 1974 In the Matter of AINTREE CASH & CARRY Limited and In the Matter of The Companies Act 1948.

By Order of the Court dated 6th December, 1974, WILLIAM DOUGLAS CORKISH, of 1/3 Stanley Street, in the City of Liverpool, Chartered Accountant, has been appointed LIQUIDATOR of the above-named Company with a Committee of Inspection.

Dated this 15th day of July, 1975.

W. D. CORKISH,
Liquidator.

LEGAL NOTICES

No. 002539 of 1975

IN the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE Chancery Division Companies Court In the Matter of LINDA HARDEMAN (HEALTH FOODS) Limited and In the Matter of The Companies Act, 1948.

Notice is hereby given that a PETITION for the winding up of the above-named company by the High Court of Justice was on the 9th day of July, 1975, presented to the said Court by CAPITAL RADIO Limited, whose registered Office is at Euston Tower, London NW1 3DR, and that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Court sitting at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London WC2A 2LL, on the 6th day of October, 1975, and any creditor or contributory of the said Company desirous to support or oppose the making of an Order on the said Petition may appear at the time of hearing in person or by his Counsel for that purpose; and a copy of the Petition will be furnished by the undersigned to any creditor or contributory of the said Company requiring such copy on payment of the regulated charge for the same.

FULWELL AND PARTNERS, 5 Queen Square, Bristol BS1 4JQ. Solicitors to the Petitioner.

NOTE.—Any person who intends to appear on the hearing of the said Petition must serve on, or send by post to, the above-named notice in writing of his intention so to do. The notice must state the name and address of the person, or, if a firm, the name and address of the firm, and must be signed by the person or firm, or his or their Solicitor (if any), and must be served or, if posted, must be sent by post in sufficient time to reach the above-named not later than four o'clock in the afternoon of the 3rd day of October, 1975.

In the Matter of the Companies Acts, 1948 to 1967 and in the Matter of A. V. WOOTTON & COMPANY Limited (In Liquidation)

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 299 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above-named Company will be held at the Offices of W. H. CORK, GULLY & CO., Chartered Accountants of 19, Eastcheap, London, EC3M 1DA on Tuesday the 5th day of August, 1975 at 2.15 p.m. to be followed at 2.30 p.m. by a GENERAL MEETING of the CREDITORS for the purpose of receiving an account of the Liquidators' Acts and Dealings and of the conduct of the Winding-up to date.

Dated this 14th day of July, 1975.

G. SCANNELL,
M. A. JORDAN,
Joint Liquidators.

In the Matter of the Companies Act, 1948 H. M. F. HUMPHREY & SON Ltd. Registered Office: 361 Old Road, Clacton on Sea, Essex.

By Order of the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE dated the 7th February, 1975 I, RONALD ALEXANDER PATERSON, Chartered Accountant of Knapton House, 12 Lower Brook Street, Ipswich, Suffolk have been appointed LIQUIDATOR of the said company.

All persons having in their possession any of the effects of the Company must deliver them to me, creditors who have not yet proved their debts must forward them to me.

Dated this 11th day of July, 1975.

R. ALEXANDER PATERSON,
Liquidator.

COMPANY NOTICES

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY'S HOLDING COMPANY LIMITED of Denmark.

Holders of shares issued in 1928 who are entitled to receive but who have not yet taken up bonus shares in accordance with the resolution of the Annual General Meeting on 16th August, 1965, are requested to present their claim to such shares at the company's offices at 26, Kongens Nytorv, 1016 Copenhagen K, within 6 months from today.

According to Section 40 of the Danish Companies Act such bonus shares as have not been taken up before the expiry of the above time-limit will be sold, and sales proceeds which have not been claimed within 5 years after the sale will revert to the Company.

Copenhagen, the 18th July, 1975.
The Board of Directors.

COSTA RICA 5% STERLING FUNDING BONDS OF 1933

Hambros Bank Limited hereby GIVE NOTICE that COUPONS due 1st July 1975 of enfaced Bonds may be presented for payment on any business day at their Coupon Counter, 41 Bishopsgate, London, E.C.2 where lists may be obtained. Coupons must be left three clear days for examination.

18th July 1975

COMPANY MEETING NOTICES

NEW BULOH KASAP COMPANY LIMITED

Notice is hereby given that the FOURTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at 10 Lefebvre Street, Guernsey, on Monday, 8 September, 1975, at 9.30 a.m. for the following purposes:—

(1) To receive the Directors' Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December, 1974.
(2) To declare a Dividend.
(3) To elect a Director.
(4) To appoint Auditors and to fix their remuneration.
(5) To transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

By Order of the Board,
BLACK, GEOGHEGAN & TILL,
Registrars.

10 Lefebvre Street,
Guernsey.
18 July, 1975.

A member entitled to be present and to vote at the Meeting may appoint a proxy to attend and, on a poll, to vote instead of him. A proxy must be a member of the Company.

NOTICE

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COMPANY MEETING NOTICES

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY'S HOLDING COMPANY LIMITED, OF DENMARK

The ordinary general meeting of the Company will be held at the Company's office, 26 Kongens Nytorv, 2nd floor, Copenhagen K, on Thursday the 14th August, 1975, at 3 p.m.

The Agenda of the general meeting is as follows:

1. The report of the Company's business during the past year.
2. Presentation of the audited accounts.
3. Passing of the Revenue Account and Balance Sheet and giving discharge to the Board.
4. Approval of the proposed distribution of profit for the past financial year and of the proposed dividend.
5. Election to the Board of Directors.
6. Election of two auditors for the current year at least one of these a state-authorised public accountant.
7. Proposals from the Board of Directors for the adoption of amendments and additions to the Company's Articles of Association.

The main points of the Board's proposals are:

a) an amendment to the wording of Article 3.
b) that the present regulations in Article 5, 4th paragraph, 2nd period, to the effect that existing shareholders are not entitled to preferential treatment in connection with the allotment of new shares offered for subscription, be deleted, and that in accordance with the provisions of the Danish Companies Act it be laid down in the proposed Article 4 that shareholders shall be entitled to a pro rata allotment of new shares which are offered for subscription in accordance with the authority vested in the Board of Directors.
c) that in Article 7 and Article 8 the rules concerning notices of general meetings be amended to comply with the Danish Companies Act, with a specification of the minimum and maximum lengths of such notices to be given.
d) that the right to be represented and vote at a general meeting by proxy be extended, and that it be no longer a condition that such proxy shall be a shareholder.
e) that in Article 9 the period during which according to the present Article 12 a share certificate must have been registered with the Company in order to entitle the holder to be present at a general meeting be reduced to 3 months.
f) that in Article 14 which in the case of an election at a general meeting there is an equality of votes after two votings the Chairman of the Board of Directors shall have the casting vote.
g) that the provisions in the present Article 15, 3rd paragraph, allowing directors to elect a shareholder to fill a vacant seat on the Board until the next general meeting be deleted.
h) that in future the Company in general meeting shall decide the annual remuneration of the directors.

In addition to the amendments proposed under a)—h) above, the Board of Directors propose a number of less important amendments and additions to the Articles, based upon the provisions of the Danish Companies Act and upon the desire to give the Articles a more modern structure and wording, and to harmonise the wording with the amendments to the Articles of The Great Northern Telegraph Company Limited, of Denmark, adopted in 1974.

The Amendments to the Articles, which are agreed upon unanimously by the entire Board of Directors, may be adopted by simple majority of votes according to the present Article 15, 2nd paragraph. Under Section 78 of the Danish Companies Act, it is, however, a requirement that not less than two-thirds of the share capital represented at the general meeting as carrying voting rights shall be in favour of the proposal.

8. Directors' fees. The Board of Directors propose that the remuneration be fixed at the amount specified in the present Article 20. The proposal is contingent upon the valid adoption of the proposals for amendments to the Articles as specified under 7 above.

From the 31st July, 1975, the Agenda and the proposals to be submitted to the general meeting including the complete Proposals of the Board of Directors for Amendments and Additions to the Articles of Association and the Annual Accounts and the Auditors' Report will be open to the inspection of shareholders at the Company's offices, and will be sent by post to all shareholders recorded in the Company's register of shares, and to all other shareholders on request.

The right to vote at the general meeting is contingent upon the shareholder having obtained a card of admission not later than 5 days (in London not later than 5 days) before the general meeting. Cards of admission will be issued at the Company's offices in Copenhagen and London to shareholders requesting their claim as such. Shares acquired by transfer will only entitle the holder to vote if the ownership of such shares has been recorded in the Company register of shares not less than 3 months prior to the general meeting.

The Board of Directors of The Great Northern Telegraph Company's Holding Company Limited, of Denmark.

NEW BULOH KASAP COMPANY LIMITED

Notice is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at 10 Lefebvre Street, Guernsey on Monday 8th September 1975 at 11.00 a.m. (or as soon thereafter as the separate General Meeting of the holders of the Deferred Shares convened for that day shall have been concluded or adjourned) for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following Resolutions:

1. That the authorised Share Capital of the Company be increased to £316,125 by the conversion of the existing 15,000 Ordinary Shares of £7 each into 15,000 Ordinary Shares of £21 each and the conversion of the existing 15,000 Deferred Shares of 2½p each into 15,000 Deferred Shares of 7½p each.

2. That the issued Share Capital of the Company be increased to £316,125 by the conversion of the existing 15,000 Ordinary Shares of £7 each into 15,000 Ordinary Shares of £21 each and the conversion of the existing 15,000 Deferred Shares of 2½p each into 15,000 Deferred Shares of 7½p each, such shares to be credited as fully paid by the capitalisation of the sum of £210,750 from Capital Reserves.

In the event of the above Resolutions being passed NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions at a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company to be held at 10 Lefebvre Street, Guernsey on Wednesday 24th September 1975 at 10.30 a.m.

By Order of the Board
A. VLASTO
Secretary.

NEW BULOH KASAP COMPANY LIMITED

Notice is hereby given that a separate GENERAL MEETING of the holders of the Deferred Shares in the Company will be held at 10 Lefebvre Street, Guernsey on Monday 8 September 1975 at 10.45 a.m. (or as soon thereafter as the separate General Meeting of the Ordinary Shareholders convened for that day shall have been concluded or adjourned) to approve on behalf of the Deferred Shareholders the Resolutions, to increase authorised and issued Share Capital, which are to be submitted to an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company to be held on the same date.

By Order of the Board
A. VLASTO,
Secretary.

NEW BULOH KASAP COMPANY LIMITED

Notice is hereby given that a separate GENERAL MEETING of the holders of the Ordinary Shares in the Company will be held at 10 Lefebvre Street, Guernsey on Monday 8 September 1975 at 10.30 a.m. to approve on behalf of the Ordinary Shareholders the Resolutions, to increase the authorised and issued Share Capital, which are to be submitted at an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company to be held on the same date.

By Order of the Board
A. VLASTO,
Secretary.

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BRITISH FUNDS

1974/75 High	Low	Stock	Price	Chge	Int. only Yield	Gross Red. Yield
98½	88¼	Exch	88¼		1976	98¼	...	6.824	9 678
97½	88	Treas	88¼		1976	97½	...	6.803	9 403
101⅝	84½	Treas	100⅝		1976	100⅝	+⅛	10.480	10.355
95	84¼	Treas	84¼		1977	94½	+⅛	6.637	10.167
94¼	81¼	Fisc	3%		1974-77	93¼	...	3 194	6.992
101½	85½	Treas	113½		1977	101½	...	11 344	10.734
88½	84½	Treas	3%		1977	87⅝	...	3.412	8.855
90½	79¼	Trans	4%		1972-77	89¼	...	4 451	9 733
96½	88¼	Treas	9%		1978	95½	+⅛	9.435	11.136
108½	96	Treas	106½		1978	98½	+⅛	10 698	11 103
87¾	78	Exch	85½		1976-78	85⅝	+⅛	5.818	10.278
79½	69½	Treas	3%		1978	78¾	...	3.828	9 389
103¾	94¼	Treas	116½		1979	108¾	+⅛	11.471	11.494
81½	80½	Elec	4½%		1974-79	80¾	...	5.298	10.110
100½	95½	Treas	106½		1979	97¾	+⅛	10.741	11.182
79¾	67½	Elec	3½%		1976-79	73¾	+¼	4.418	9.433
98	81¾	Treas Cnv	9%		1980	92¾	...	9.736	11.189
96½	91½	Treas	94½		1980	94½	...	10.007	10.898
84½	69½	Fund	84½		1978-80	83½	+¼	6.441	10.125
78	68¾	Treas	3½%		77-80	77¾	+¼	4 530	9 387
75½	61¾	Treas	3½%		79-81	74¾	+¼	4.648	9 358
91¾	72½	Treas	4½%		1980-82	87	...	9 786	11.413
103¾	98¾	Treas	12%		1983	103¾	+¼	12.032	12.047
78	58	Fund	3½%		1982-84	74½	...	7 360	10 049
93¼	61¾	Treas	8½%		1984-86	83	...	10 399	11 467
72¾	51¾	Fund	6½%		1985-87	71½	...	9.278	11 116
78¾	53	Treas	7¾%		1985-88	73	...	10 601	11 358
91¼	70½	Trans	3%		1978-88	87¼	...	4 347	10.258
86¾	39¾	Treas	3½%		1986-89	86¾	...	9.196	11.209
74¾	53¾	Treas	8½%		1987-90	72¾	+¼	11.549	12.224
58¾	41¾	Fund	5½%		1987-91	57	...	10.394	12.206
85½	65¾	Treas	12½%		1981	95¾	...	13.598	13.787
57¾	40¾	Fund	6%		1991	52	...	11.548	12.685
59¾	54½	Treas	9%		1994	70¾	+¼	13 111	13.622
44½	25¾	Rdmptn	3½		1986-96	33¾	...	9 277	11.600
31¾	24¾	Gas	3½		1990-95	34½	...	8.932	11 669
30½	23	Treas	12½%		1995	94½	...	13.886	12.921
77¾	54¾	Treas	9%		1992-96	70¾	...	11 548	12 738
50¾	40¾	Treas	6¾%		1995-98	53¾	...	12 948	13 507
72½	53¼	Treas	8¾%		1997	68¾	...	13 468	13 362
57¾	34¼	Treas	9¾%		1999	69¾	...	13 833	13 809
34½	27¾	Fund	3½%		1999-04	30¾	...	11 297	11 484
47¾	36½	Treas	5%		2006-08	40¾	...	13 896	13 575
48¾	32¾	Treas	5½%		2008-12	42¾	...	15 498	13 402
61¾	43¾	Treas	7¾%		2012-15	56¾	...	13 754	13 582
31¾	23¾	Consols	4%			24¾	...	14 037	...
29¾	20¾	War Ln	3½%			20¾	...	13.643	...
29½	20½	Conv	3½%			21¼	...	13 343	...
27¾	20¾	Treas	4%			21¾	...	13 781	...
20¾	14¾	Treas.	2½%		Aft 75	18½	...	14 003	...

COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN

83¾	73¾	Aust	3½%		74-78	85½	...	6 547	12.339
77¾	63½	Aust	3½%		77-80	73¾	...	7 382	11 980
74½	62½	Aust	3½%		78-81	72½	...	8 154	11.924
69¾	58½	Aust	4%		81-83	66¾	...	8 156	12.036
90¾	83	Aust	6%		74-76	85½	...	6 384	11 347
94¾	87½	Aust	9%		79-81	79¾	...	9 352	12.078
100¾	94	Belgian	4½		Ass	98	...		
98	92	Chilean Mixed	4½			96	...		
80	65	E Africa	3½%		77-83	80	...	9 660	14.358
348	288	German	4½%		1930	100	...		
22½	20	Hungary	4½%		1924	24	...		
76	52¾	Ireland	4½%		1974	74	...		
91¾	74¾	Jamaica	7½%		77-79	81	...	9 572	14.176
135	84	Japan	Ass		1910	135	...		
82½	66	Japan	6%		53-58	82	...		
28½	20½	Peru	4%		Ass	28½	...	6 261	14.321
84	64	Malaya	7½%		76-83	75	...	9 946	12.980
76½	67¾	N Z	6%		76-78	76	...	7 579	13.025
96¾	85¾	N Z	6%		78-80	96¾	...	6.286	11 317
94¾	84¾	N Z	6%		79-82	94¾	+¼	6 441	12.023
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LOCAL AUTHORITIES

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Really mixed-period houses are always fascinating, and a good example is Furnace Pond Cottage, on the edge of the village of Slaugham, in the Sussex Weald. It is listed as a building of special architectural and historical interest, and the earliest part is Tudor, when it was the home and forge of a local ironmaster. The central section was added in the time of Queen Anne, and the eastern end in modern times. Room sizes are unusually large, and include an entrance hall 25ft long and a dining room 36ft long with a drawing room and seven bedrooms. The sale is through *Hampton and Sons and the* price is £65,000.

Extensive accommodation is provided by another interesting property, 3 Captain's Court, at Horton, between Northampton and Newport Pagnell. The property is, in fact, the centre part of an early-eighteenth-century building which has been converted into six houses. Originally it was the stable block of the Horton House Estate. Main accommodation on two floors consists of three reception rooms and five bedrooms, but there is an additional floor, which is not in use. The house has its own garden of about half an acre, and the price is £32,500, through Jackson-Stops and Staff, of Northampton.

An unusual layout is provided by The Mill, in Marsh Lane, Hallatrow, near Bristol, a good conversion with the Cam Brook, including a waterfall, running through the grounds. The building is thought to date from the mid-nineteenth century and to have been used as a grain mill until about 1920. To take best advantage of the surroundings the large living area is on the first floor, together with the kitchen, a sun gallery and the main *bedroom and bathroom suite.* On the ground floor are three more bedrooms, another bathroom and a utility room. The house is for sale at £25,000 through Crisp, Cowley and Co. of Bath.

A pleasant complex of buildings is provided by Pynchon Hall, at Wright's Green, Little Hallingbury, near Bishop's *Stortford, Hertfordshire. The present property is* thought to have been developed from a small house of seventeenth-century origins, and has rendered and colour-washed walls with panels of traditional pargeting. There are three reception rooms and six main and two secondary bedrooms. Around a courtyard are two large barns, one providing garaging and loose boxes and the other marked out as a badminton court. A workshop and store and a cottage are other buildings in the complex, which is for sale with more than three acres of grounds at £70,000, through Humbert, Flint, Rawlence and Squarey and Hampton and Sons.

About the same price is asked for The Old Rectory, at Drinkstone, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk. It is a fine Georgian building dating from 1760, with rusticated quoins and sash windows, and a grade II listing. *The accommodation includes* three reception rooms, seven bedrooms and a nursery. Five more rooms are provided by a flat in the stable block. The grounds are well wooded and run to about 20 acres, the agents are Strutt and Parker, of Ipswich, and H. C. Wolton and Son, of Bury St Edmunds.

At Elsenham, near Bishop's *Stortford, Motts Hall is a well* renovated house which would appeal to anyone attracted by local traditional features. Believed to be of seventeenth-century origin, it is a former farmhouse of timber frame construction, with later additions, but having rendered walls with Essex pargeting under an old peg-tiled roof. Inside are many *fine old beams, an inglenook* fireplace and an oak staircase brought in from an old country house now demolished. There are two main reception rooms, a study, five main bedrooms and a staff bedroom. Various converted outbuildings provide such amenities as a playroom, billiards room and squash court. There is about 10 acres of ground, and the price is £65,000 through Sworder Jennings, of Bishop's Stortford.

A house with a varied history is Fox and Hounds Farm, at Binfield, Berkshire. Built about 350 years ago, it was previously a bakery and beer house. Built of white brick *under an old tiled roof, with* exposed timbering inside, it has two reception rooms and five bedrooms. Two of the bedrooms are in a separate annexe on the ground floor. Outbuildings are included, and the property runs to about 14 acres. A price between £55,000 and £60,000 is being asked through Tufnell and Partners, of Wokingham.

Gerald Ely

PROPERTY ABROAD

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14th July, 1975.

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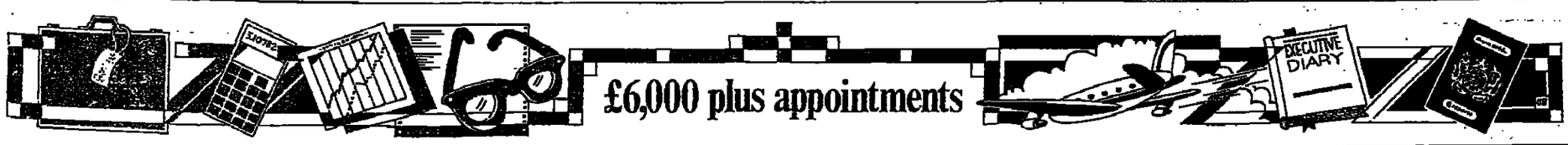
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Other Appointments Vacant on page 21

The Law Society
Secretary—Legal Aid
£13,000

(Second advertisement—revised salary)

This senior appointment to the staff of The Law Society falls vacant at the end of 1975. Applications are now invited from solicitors who wish to be considered for the post and could commence not later than the 1st January 1976.

The successful applicant will be directly responsible for the Legal Aid organisation which consists of a Headquarters at The Law Society's Hall in London, 14 Area and 28 Local Offices in London and the major provincial towns in England and Wales together with a large computer-based Accounts Department also in London.

These offices employ almost 80 solicitors and accountants and a skilled legal, clerical, administrative and typing staff of over 1,000 dealing with a work load which has expanded steadily over the years, and now totals over 300,000 Legal Aid applications per annum.

The successful applicant will be a sound lawyer with management and organisational experience sufficient to administer, with authority, the wide-ranging field of activities of the post which also involves contributing to the work of The Law Society as a professional body.

He should have a strong commitment to the concept of Legal Aid, paying full regard to government policy, the interests of the Legal Aid applicant and the practitioners involved in the scheme. He will also need to keep in touch with the many other organisations interested in this field of work as well as maintaining contacts with the Lord Chancellor's Office and other government ministries and departments.

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Application forms may be obtained from the Secretary-General, The Law Society, 113 Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1PL, and must be returned, marked "Secretary—Legal Aid", not later than 31st July, 1975. Previous applicants need only renew their application by letter.

ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY COUNCILS

Under Secretary (Finance)

(£10,407x£303(3)—£11,316)

Applications are invited for this important and responsible post which offers an exceptional opportunity to participate at national level in the making of major financial policy affecting local government and in negotiating the Rate Support Grant.

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Social Development Officer

£7,194-£7,845

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Further details and application form (returnable by August 4, 1975) from General Manager, Peterborough Development Corporation, Peterscourt, Peterborough PE1 1UJ or ring 0733-60311, extn. 26.

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Greater Peterborough

WESSEX REGIONAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

Regional Computer Services Officer

£6,390-£7,797

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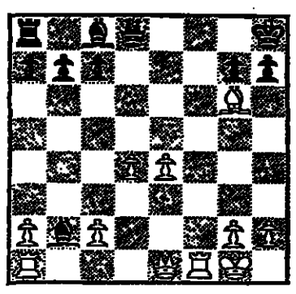
The Computer Department is part of a newly formed Management Services Division which will provide a full range of problem solving capabilities to the Authority. This Officer must contribute substantially to the advice given by the Division concerning the general development strategy of the Region.

Application forms and further particulars from the Personnel Department, Wessex Regional Health Authority, Highcroft, Romsey Road, Winchester. Closing date: 7th August 1975.

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Write down on a sheet of paper the continuation moves that force a win for White and accompany it with a composed game or position using a similar check-mating idea.

The prize will be awarded to the sender of the entry that in the opinion of the judge contains the complete, correct solution together with a composed game or position with the continuation moves that best illustrate another application of the idea employed by White in winning from the diagram position. Send your complete solution and composed game or position with the completed entry form to The Times Appointments Pages Chess Competition, 12 Coley Street, London WC99 9YT.

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Broadcasting

New York sends us its cabaret stars. Well, they can't be worse than some of ours (BBC1 8.20). But we are back at the Statue of Liberty for tonight's film in the Hitchcock season (BBC1 9.25). The afternoon brings international show jumping (BBC1 1.45, BBC2 4.0) and inter-school sport (BBC1 5.10). Those weighty wrestlers of Japan get an evening focus (BBC2 9.50). Aldous Huxley provides tonight's story in Ten from the Twenties (BBC2 9.0). Hypochondriacs have General Hospital (ITV 7.30) and Bernard Hepton, fresh from domestic comedy starts in on the office sort (ITV 8.30). James Burke is still punching away in space (BBC1 11.10).
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BBC 1

12.55 pm, Cynfas. 1.25, News. 1.30, Along the River. 1.45, Show Jumping from Hickstead. 3.25, Play School. 4.50, Devlin. 5.10, We Are the Champions, 5.35 with Pat Beavan, Mervyn Davies. 5.40, Sir Prancelot.
5.45 News. 6.00, Nationwide.
6.50 Disney Adventure: The Young Loner.
8.20 The Other Broadway, with Dionne Warwicke, Frank Gorshin.
9.00 News.
9.25 Film, Saboteur, directed by Alfred Hitchcock, with Robert Cummings, Priscilla Lane.*
11.10 Apollo/Soyuz, highlights.
11.50 Weather.
* Black and white.

Regional variations (BBC1)
WALES: 12.55-1.25 pm, Transmitters Closedown. 1.45-2.15, Wales v Ireland. 6.00-6.50, Wales Today. Nationwide. 6.50-7.10, Heddiw. 7.10-7.50, Bowls: Wales v Scotland. 7.50-8.20, Question of Sport. SCOTLAND: 10.00-10.10 am, Wacky Races. 10.10-10.35, Bewitched. 10.35-11.00, Going On. 11.00-1.25 pm, Transmitters Closedown. 6.00-6.50, Reporting Scotland. Nationwide. 11.50, Scottish News Summary. NORTHERN IRELAND: 12.55-1.25 pm, Transmitters Closedown. 6.00-6.20, Scene Around Six. Nationwide. 11.50, Northern Ireland News Headlines.

Yorkshire

12.40 pm, Thames. 1.20, Calendar News. 1.30, Thames. 2.30, Film: Elvis Goes Hawaiian, with James Darren, Michael Callan, Deborah Walley, Carl Reiner. 4.15, Cartoon. 4.20, Catch Kandy. 4.50, Magpie. 5.20, Follyfoot. 5.50, News. 6.00, Calendar. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, London. 10.30-12.30 am, Film: The Tingler, with Vincent Price.*

Westward

11.25 am, Yoga for Health. 11.50, Rainbow Country. 12.15, Skippy. 12.40, Gus Honeybun. 12.40, Thames. 1.20, Westward News Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 2.30, Film: Carlton Browne of the F.O. with Peter Sellers, Terry-Thomas, Luciana Paluzzi.* 4.10, Any Shirts There? 4.25, Thames. 5.20, Animated World. 5.50, News. 6.00, Westward Diary. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, London. 10.32, Westward News. 10.35, Film, My Gun is Quick, with Robert Bray, Pamela Duncan.* 12.10 pm, Faith for Life.

Ulster

12.40 pm, Thames. 1.20, Ulster News Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 2.30, Out of Town. 3.00, Banacek. 4.25, Thames. 5.20, The Amazing Chan. 5.50, News. 6.00, Summer Sports. 6.25, Police Six. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, London. 11.00-12.20 am, Film. Donovan's Brain, with Lew Ayres, Nancy Davis, Gene Evans.*

HTV

12.40 pm, Thames. 1.20, West Headlines. 1.25, Wales Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.30, Film, Stephen Boyd and Mylene Demongeot in The Inspector. 4.20, Thames. 5.20, Orbit 5. 5.25, Crossroads. 5.50, News. 6.01, Report West. 6.15, Report Wales. 6.30, University Challenge. 7.00, The Adventurer. 7.30, London. 11.00, Survival. 12.00, Weather. HTV CYMRU/WALES.—As HTV except: 1.20-1.25 pm, Penawdau Newyddion Y Dydd. 4.20-4.50, Cestyll Cymru. 6.01-6.15, Y Dydd. 10.30-11.00, Outlook. HTV WEST.—As HTV except: 1.20-1.30 pm, West Headlines. 6.15-6.30, Report West.

BBC 2

6.40 am, Open University: Complex Analysis. 7.05, The Educative Community. 7.30-7.55, Maths. 11.00-11.25, Play School. 4.00 pm, Show Jumping from Hickstead. 5.00, Open University: Public Administration: Oxford. 5.25, Thermodynamics (2). 5.50, Airport Siting. 6.15, Fetal Physiology. 6.40, Brain and Behaviour. 7.05, Advisory Programme for Applicants.
7.30 Newsday.
7.40 The Pilgrimage of Everyman, some of the paths the pilgrims trod to the shrine of the apostle James in Santiago de Compostela.
9.00 Ten from the Twenties: Celia Bannerman, Tony Beckley, and Eleanor Bron in Two or Three Graces, by Aldous Huxley.
9.50 Sporting Profile: Samurai—the Suma Wrestlers of Japan.
10.15 Money Programme: The Great American Railroads.
11.05 News.
11.25-11.30, Robert Powell reads Tarantella, by Hilaire Belloc.

Granada

10.25 am, Sesame Street. 11.25, Clapperboard. 11.50, This England. 12.30 pm, Hammy Hamster. 12.40, Thames. 1.20, This Is Your Right. 1.30, Thames. 2.30, Film. Glenn Ford and Debbie Reynolds in The Gazebo.* 4.20, Thames. 5.15, Cartoon. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.50, News. 6.00, Granada Reports. 6.35, Randall and Hopkirk (Deceased). 7.30, London. 11.05, Film. Eleanor Parker and Dana Andrews in Madison Avenue.* 12.40-1.10, Theatre Macabre.

Grampian

11.55 am, Survival. 12.20, A Piece of Teake. 12.35, Lunchtime Call. 12.40, Thames. 1.20, Grampian News Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 2.30, Film: Lady Hamilton, with Vivien Leigh, Laurence Olivier.* 4.20, Thames. 5.15, Wait Till Your Father Gets Home. 5.50, News. 6.00, Grampian News. 6.10, One Northern Summer. 6.35, ATV. 8.00, The Protectors. 8.30, London. 10.40, Film: Footsteps in the Fog, with Stewart Granger, Jean Simmons. 12.15 am, Prayers.

Scottish

12.40 pm, Thames. 1.25, Road Report. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.30, ATV. 4.20, Thames. 5.20, Professor Kitzel. 5.25, Crossroads. 5.50, News. 6.00, Scottish News. 6.05, Isabel. 7.00, Ways and Means. 7.30, London. 10.30, Late Call. 10.35, STV Reporting. 11.05-12.00, Journey to the Unknown.

Tyne Tees

12.35 pm, Starting Point. 12.40, Thames. 2.30, Film. The Miniver Story, with Greer Garson, Walter Pidgeon.* 4.25, Wait Till Your Father Gets Home. 4.50, Magpie. 5.20, Follyfoot. 5.50, News. 6.00, North East News. 6.05, Division. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, London. 10.30, Film. Son of Frankenstein, with Boris Karloff, Basil Rathbone.* 12.15 am, News Headlines. 12.20, Epilogue.

Thames

10.10 am, Bertrand Russell Speaks his Mind.* 10.20, Wildlife Theatre. 10.45, Film: The Smallest Show on Earth, with Virginia McKenna, Bill Travers, Peter Sellers, Margaret Rutherford.* 12.05 pm, Yoga for Health. 12.30, Sally and Jake. 12.40, Pipkins. 1.00, News. 1.20, Lunchtime Today. 1.30, Paint Along with Nancy. 2.00, Good Afternoon. 2.30, Film: Port Afrique, with Pier Angeli, Phil Carey. 4.10, Cartoon. 4.20, Follyfoot. 4.50, Magpie. 5.20, University Challenge.
5.50 News. 6.00, Today.
6.35 Crossroads.

London Weekend

7.00 Husband of the Year.
7.30 *General Hospital.*
8.30 The Squirrels, new comedy series, with Bernard Hepton, Ken Jones.
9.00 The Main Chance.
10.00 News.
10.30 Cinema, with Dilys Powell.
11.00 Police Five.
11.10 Film: You Pay Your Money (1957), with Hugh McDermott, Jane Hylton, Honor Blackman.*
12.40 Learning to Live.

Anglia

12.40 pm, Thames. 1.25, Anglia News. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.30, Film, The Beauty Jungle, with Ian Hendry, Janette Scott. 4.25, Romper Room. 4.50, Magpie. 5.20, Follyfoot. 5.50, News. 6.00, About Anglia. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, London. 10.30, Probe. 11.00, Kung Fu. 11.55, Men Who Matter.

ATV

12.40 pm, Thames. 1.20, Lunchtime Newsdesk. 1.30, Thames. 2.30, Film. Kaleidoscope, with Warren Beatty, Susannah York. 4.20, Thames. 5.20, The Flintstones. 5.50, News. 6.00, ATV Today. 6.35, Crossroads. 7.00, General Hospital. 8.00, Husband of the Year. 8.30, London. 10.30-12.15 am, Film, These are the Damned, with MacDonald Carey, Oliver Reed, Shirley Ann Field.*

Southern

11.00 am, Yoga for Health. 11.25, Auxiliary Coastguard. 11.45, Eastern Food in an English Kitchen. 12.05 pm, Skippy. 12.30, Hammy Hamster. 12.40, Thames. 1.20, Southern News. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.30, Film, Smashing Time, with Rita Tushingham, Lynn Redgrave. 4.20, Thames. 5.20, Betty Boop. 5.25, Crossroads. 5.50, News. 6.00, Day by Day. Scene South East. 6.35, Police Surgeon. 7.00, London. 10.30, Southern Report. 11.00, The Collaborators. 11.55, Southern News. 12.05 am, Australia. 12.25, Weather. Guideline.

Border

12.40 pm, Thames. 1.25, Border News. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.30, Film: Count Your Blessings, with Deborah Kerr, Rossano Brazzi, Maurice Chevalier. 4.25, Thames. 5.20, Superman. 5.50, News. 6.00, Border News. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, London. 11.00, Film: No Room at the Inn, with Freda Jackson, Joy Shelton, Hermione Baddeley.* 12.30 am, Border News Summary.

Radio

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6.00 am, News. Simon Bates.† 7.00, Noel Edmonds. 9.00, Tony Blackburn. 12.00, Johnnie Walker. 2.02 pm, David Hamilton.† 5.00, Newsbeat. 5.15, Anne Nightingale's Round Table. 7.02, Just for Fun. 7.32, John Fox.† 8.32, Music Night.† 10.02, Sports Desk. 10.07, David Bellan.† (10.20, Press conference in Space). 12.00, News. 12.05 am, David Bellan.† 12.31-12.33, News Summary.
† Stereo.

2
6.00 am, Radio 1. 7.02, Terry Wogan† (8.27, Racing Bulletin). 9.02, Pete Murray† (10.30, Waggoners' Walk). 11.30, Jimmy Young.† 2.02 pm, Radio 1. 5.02, Waggoners' Walk. 5.17, Sam Costa.† 6.45, Sports Desk. 7.00-12.33 am, Radio 1.

3
7.00 am, News. 7.05, Scheidt, Bach, Haydn.† 8.00, News. 8.05, Bruckner, Chopin, Beethoven.† 9.00, News. 9.05, Telemann.† 9.40, BBC Northern Ireland Orchestra: Bizet, Alun Hoddinott, Purcell, Lennox Berkeley.† 10.20, Smetana: Six Czech Dances for Piano.† 10.55, Philippe de Vitry and his Contemporaries.† 11.35, Violin and Cello, Kodaly, Joubert.† 12.25, Concert: part 1. Kabalevsky, Prokofiev.†
1.00 pm, News. 1.05, Playbill.† 1.20, Concert: part 2, Tchaikovsky.† 2.05, Song: Recital: Brahms, Schumann, Schubert, Wolf.† 3.00, Melody.† 4.15, Piano recital: Mozart and Chopin.† 5.15, Bandstand.† 5.45, Homeward Bound. 6.05, News. 6.10, Homeward Bound (continued). 6.30, The Nature of Violence. 7.00, Working with Words.
7.30, Schubert: song recital, part 1.† 8.30, Death in Paris: Odon von Horvath's. 8.50, Schubert: part 2.† 9.40, The Fair Parricide, From a Newgate Calendar, written and narrated by Rayner Heppenstall.† 10.45, Violin and Piano: Bartok, Szekely, Dvorak, Smetana.† 11.25-11.30, News.

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6.20 am, News. 6.22, Farming. 6.40, Prayer. 6.45, Today. 6.55, Weather. 7.00, News. 7.27, Sports-desk. 7.35, Today's Papers. 7.45, Thought for the Day. 7.55, Weather. 8.00, News. 8.27, Sports-desk. 8.35, Today's Papers. 8.45, Yesterday in Parliament. 9.00, News. 9.05, Voice of the People: 021-432 5432. 10.00, News. 10.05, Checkpoint. 10.30, Service. 10.45, Story. 11.00, News. 11.05, With Great Pleasure: Marghanita Laski. 11.50, Through the Badger Gate. 12.00, News. 12.02 pm, You and Yours. 12.27, Twenty Questions. 12.55, Weather.
1.00, The World at One. 1.30, The Archers. 1.45, Woman's Hour. 2.45, Listen with Mother. 3.00, News. 3.05, Play: The Harbinger Report. 4.00, News. 4.05, Any Answers? 4.35, Story Time: Our Hearts Were Young and Gay. 5.00, PM Reports. 5.55, Weather. 6.00, News. 6.15, Birds of Britain 1975. 6.45, The Archers. 7.00, News Desk. 7.30, Pick of the Week. 8.30, Any Questions? 9.15, Letter from America. 9.30, Kaleidoscope. 9.59, Weather. 10.00, The World Tonight. 10.45, A Book at Bedtime: Little Boy Lost. 11.00, The Financial World Tonight. 11.15, Today in Parliament. 11.25, Week Ending. 11.40, News. 12.01-12.04 am, Inshore forecast.
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BIRTHS

CAMPBELL.—On July 17th in Sydney, to Caroline (née Laugher) and Tim—a daughter.
COLE.—On June 29th, 1975, to Nicki (née Shelby) and Terence Cole—a son.
CRUMP.—On July 16th at St Thomas's Hospital, Westminster, to Lyn (née Voak) and Terry—a daughter.
DILLON.—On Wednesday, July 9th, to Wendy (née Talbot) and Jerome, of 8 Stone Road, Broadstairs, Kent—the gift of a son (James Jerome).
DUFFIELD.—On 12 June, to Madeleine (née Wilson) and Stephen Duffield — a daughter (Rachel Karen).
ELSTUB.—On July 17th, at the West London Hospital, to Jane and James—a daughter.
GRANVILLE.—On July 9th, to Lisa and Geoff—a daughter (Lara Jane).
LLEWELLYN.—On 15th July at Craiglolon Maternity Hospital, St. Andrews, to Stella (née Willis) and Simon—a son (Fergus John).
MUROLO.—On July 16th, at H.R.H. Princess Christian Nursing Home, Windsor, to John and Celia—a daughter (Sarah Elizabeth).
RYE.—On July 12, at Farnborough Hospital, Kent, to Annabelle (née Metcalf) and Keith—a daughter (Natasha).
SAUNDERS.—On July 17th, at St Teresa's Hospital, Wimbledon, to Joanna and Alastair—a daughter (Alice Elizabeth).
STONES.—On 16th July at Cheltenham Maternity Hospital, to Penny and Nicholas—a son (William James).
WRIGHT.—On July 12th, at Northwich, to Susan and John Wright —a son.

RUBY WEDDINGS

HALLPIKE : ANDERSON.—On July ..., 1935, at St Mary's Church, Primrose Hill, London, NW6, Charles Skinner Hallpike, CBE, FRS, to Barbara Lee Anderson. Present address, Fern Lodge, Westbourne, Dorset BH22 0LS.

DEATHS

AGNEW de BOISSE.—On 16th July, 1975, Janet, after a short illness. Private cremation.
BARTHOLOMEW.—On 16th July, 1975, peacefully at Bramley, Surrey, Lady (Dorothy) Bartholomew, beloved wife of the late Sir Clarence Bartholomew, O.B.E. Funeral private. No flowers, at her request.
BURGESS.—On July 15th, 1975, Clarkson Leo Burgess, C.B.E., Barrister at Law, dearly loved husband of Marie-Louise, former Clerk of the Peace for the County of London, Knight of the Holy Sepulchre and President of the Beaumont Union. Funeral private. The date of the memorial service will be announced later.
BURTON-BROWN.—On 17th July, 1975, Christopher Burton-Brown, M.A., late of Bradfield College, much loved and loving husband, father and grandfather. Funeral at St. Andrew's Parish Church, Bradfield, on Tuesday, 22nd July, at 2.00 p.m., followed by private cremation. Family flowers only.
BUTLER.—On July 16th, 1975, suddenly, in his 67th year, Canon Edward Searle Butler, of 7 Clare Walk, Thornbury, Bristol, late of Rochester, Riverhead and North Harrow, dear husband of Pauline and father of Ruth and Paul. Funeral service, St. Mary's Parish Church, Thornbury, Monday, July 21st, at 11.15 a.m. No flowers.

CARCARY.—On Tuesday, 15th July, 1975, Donald Duncan Carcary, J.P. (India), M.I.C.E., F.I.S.E., beloved husband of Joan, Noddia, 7 Montgomerie Drive, Fairlie, Ayrshire. Funeral private.
de la TORRE.—On July 15th, suddenly, Raf de la Torre. Enquiries to Hamilton, Purton (Somerset) 683273.
ELLERBY.—On July 17th, peacefully, at his home in Great Missenden, William John Ellerby, beloved husband of Ann, father and grandfather. Cremation at the Chilterns Crematorium, Amersham, Tuesday, July 22nd, at 11 a.m.
GEORGE.—On July 17th, 1975, peacefully at Treliske Hospital, Truro, Martha Norah Harris (Pattie), wife of Lt. Col. J. H. N. George. Cremation private. No letters or flowers, by her expressed wish.
HALL.—On July 10th, 1975, suddenly, Dennis G. Hall, C.Eng., F.I.C.E., F.I.Struct. E., of 7 Birch Drive, Little Aston, Sutton Coldfield. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.
KLEIN-de JONG.—On 17th July, in a nursing home, Anny, widow of Bobby and mother of Stanley Davis. Funeral private in Brussels. No letters or flowers, please.
LEVY, KATHLEEN.—On Thursday, July 17th, peacefully at home, widow of Sol Levy. Funeral Friday, July 18th, at noon, Willesden United Synagogue Cemetery. Prayers Sunday evening 8 p.m. 53 Maresfield Gardens, London, N.W.3.
MISKIN, GEOFFREY WALTER, T.D., J.P., of 54 Marshals Drive, St. Albans.—On 15 July, peacefully after a long illness, dearly beloved husband of Beryl and father of Tony, in his 73rd year. Funeral service St. Alban's Cathedral, Thursday, 24th July, 1975, at 2.30 p.m., followed by private cremation. Family flowers only, please. Donations if desired to British Empire Cancer Campaign. Enquiries to E. Seymour & Son Ltd., 26 Marlborough Road, St. Albans, Herts.
PRINCE-WHITE.—On July 16th, suddenly, at home, Falconfield, Soberton, Hants, Frederick George, aged 81, beloved husband of Joyce, loving father of Pauline, Freda and Oliver, and dear grandpa to his seven grandchildren. For over 40 years on the Editorial Staff of the Daily Mail. Funeral, St Peter's Church, Soberton, 2.30 pm, Monday, July 21st. Inquiries and flowers to R. H. Child, Droxford 460.
SOPER, JOHN MICHAEL.—On July 15th, 1975, suddenly at The Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, beloved husband of Brenda. Funeral Friday, July 18th, 3.30 p.m., at South Moreton, Oxfordshire.
SOULSBY.—On July 15th, 1975, suddenly at 6 Lesley Court, Strutton Ground, London, SW1, Joan Y. Soulsby (née Shearer), beloved wife of Hal and mother of Liz and Kate. Funeral at Golders Green Crematorium, Saturday, 19th July, at 12 noon. No flowers, please.
STEEL.—On July 15th, 1975, in a nursing home, Suzanne Marie Steel, in her 89th year, widow of Claude G. Steel, formerly of 74, Bath Hill Court, Bournemouth. Funeral private. Flowers to Camp Hopson & Co. Funeral Directors, Newbury. Telephone Newbury 45510.
TAYLOR.—On 8th July, 1975, suddenly, at his home, James Basil Oldrini, aged 55, beloved husband of Isabel Kathleen (Linsell) and father of Michael. A memorial cremation at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium on Tuesday, 22nd July, at 3.30 pm. No mourning, no flowers. If desired donations to the National Art Collection Fund, Hertford House, Manchester Square, London, W1M 6BN. Funeral Directors W. & F. Groombridge. Tel. Tonbridge 3964.
TAYLOR.—Suddenly, on July 14th, 1975, at Addenbrookes Hospital, Cambridge, Richard Harold Redvers, O.B.E., Lt. Col. Royal Engineers, retd. Aged 75 years, beloved husband of Louise. Funeral service at Parish Church, Belchamp St. Paul, Sudbury, Suffolk, on Tuesday, July 22nd, at 3 p.m. Any enquiries to: Martin & Sons, Clare, Suffolk, please.
THRESHER. Sidney Bennett, of Westridge, Highclere, suddenly at Newbury Hospital on July 15th, a member of Toc H. Cremation service 4 p.m. Monday, July 21st, at Reading Crematorium, All Hallows Road, off Henley Road, Caversham. London memorial service to be announced later. Please, no flowers or letters, but donations if desired to Toc H.
WADESON.—On July 17th, 1975, at Walton-on-Thames, Surrey, Mona Helen Wadeson, formerly of Rosemary Close, Alfold, Surrey, widow of Captain L. S. Wadeson, R.I.N., daughter of the late Thomas Stout, of Glasgow, and mother of Lionel. Cremation on Tuesday, July 22nd, at 12 noon at Randalls Park, Leatherhead.
WATSON.—On July 17th, 1975, at West Meadow, Chedworth, Gloucestershire, Ernest Ansley Watson, O.B.E., D.Sc. Private cremation. Service of Thanksgiving, Saturday, July 19th, 2.30 p.m. at Chedworth Church. No flowers, please. If desired donations may be sent to Arthritis and Rheumatism Council for Research, Faraday House, 8 Charing Cross Road, London, WC2H 0HN.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

WHITMORE, FRANCIS.—A Memorial Service will be held at St Brides Church, Fleet Street, on Tuesday, 29th July, at 12.30 pm.

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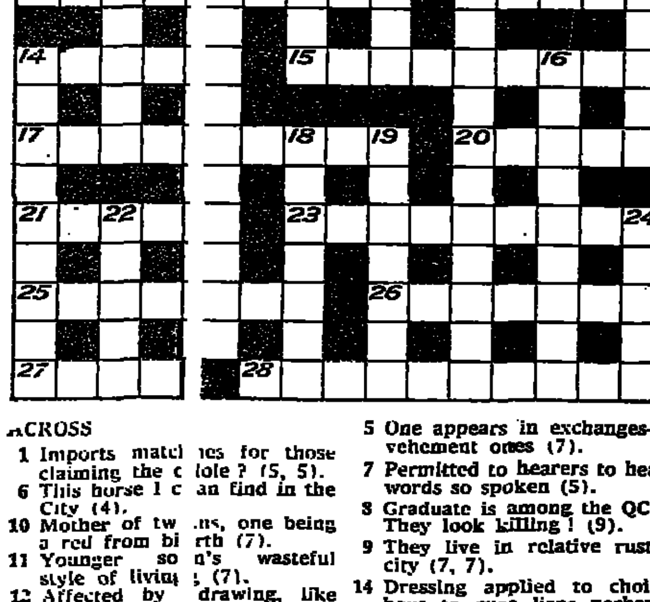
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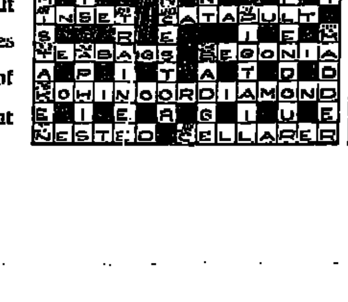
ACROSS

1 Imports matches for those claiming the console? (5, 5).
6 This horse I can find in the City (4).
10 Mother of twins, one being a red from birth (7).
11 Younger son's wasteful style of living (7).
12 Affected by drawing, like Poles never are (9).
13 Knotty point no backward boy follows (5).
14 Follower of Zenocrate has no case (5).
15 Confuses CLD and starts trouble (9).
17 Spanish jade—Ann and Rose are involved with it (9).
20 The ice-cream is one gets in the Civil Service (5).
21 Singular Roman ghost up a tree in Madagascar (5).
23 Seizure is apt to occur in curing process (9)
25 How the two-party system struck a soldier of Savoy (7).
26 Fish with girl is wrong (7).
27 Wine in the boot (4).
28 Shows salesman is indignant (10)

DOWN

1 Girl has broken arm but gets up quite fit (5).
2 Bird rare on golf courses (9).
3 Current English version of Rousseau's work (6, 8).
4 Made law with a decent amendment! (7).
5 One appears in exchanges—vehement ones (7).
7 Permitted to hearers to hear words so spoken (5).
8 Graduate is among the QCs. They look killing! (9).
9 They live in relative rusticity (7, 7).
14 Dressing applied to choirboys to cure lisps perhaps (9).
16 Make fit provision (9).
18 The case of the engine can be raised with her in France (7).
19 Printing unit has ability to authorize (7).
22 Imitator of Bohemian Girl gets caught (5).
24 Pledges—of a fruitful tree? (5).

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